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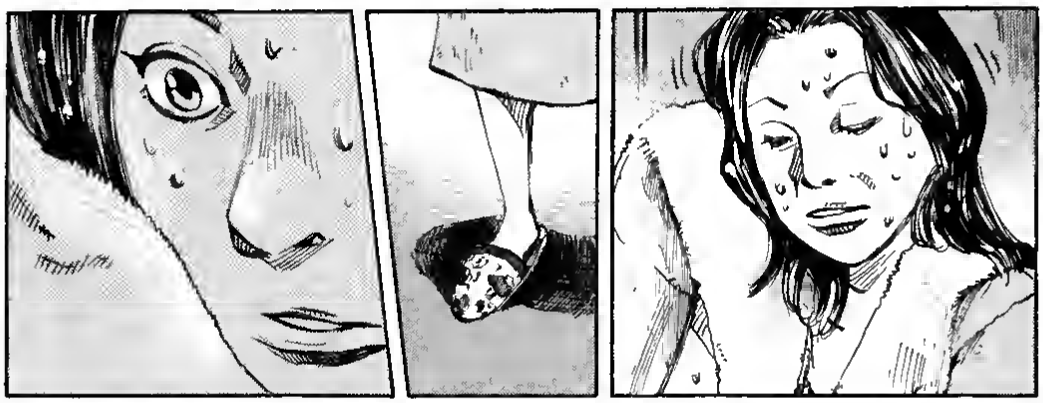

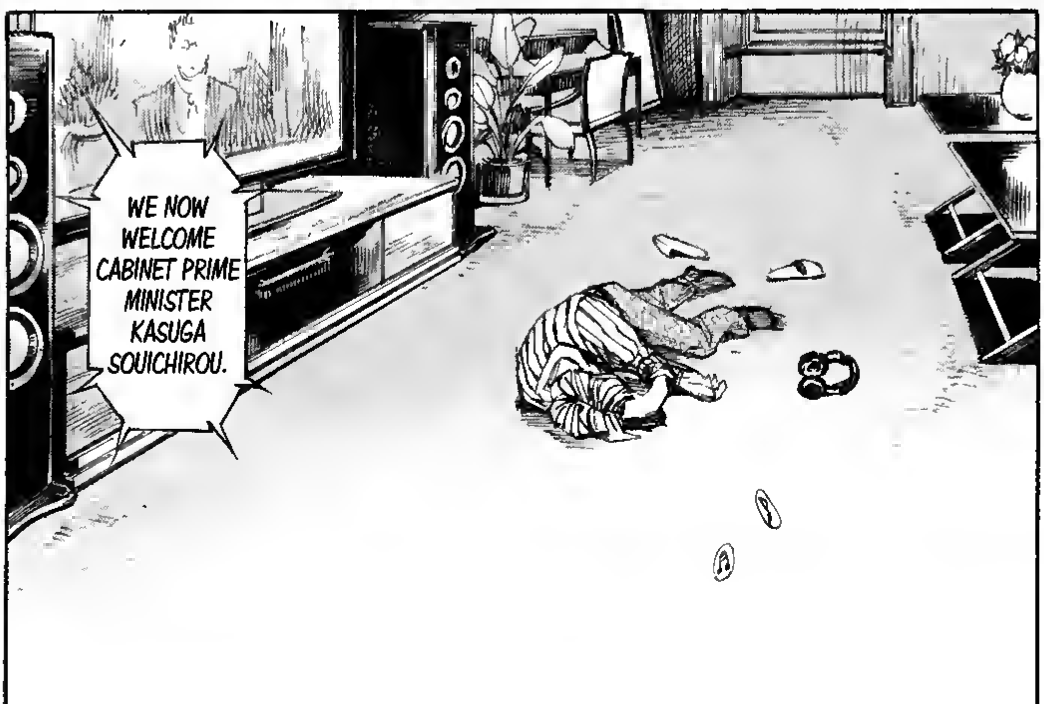
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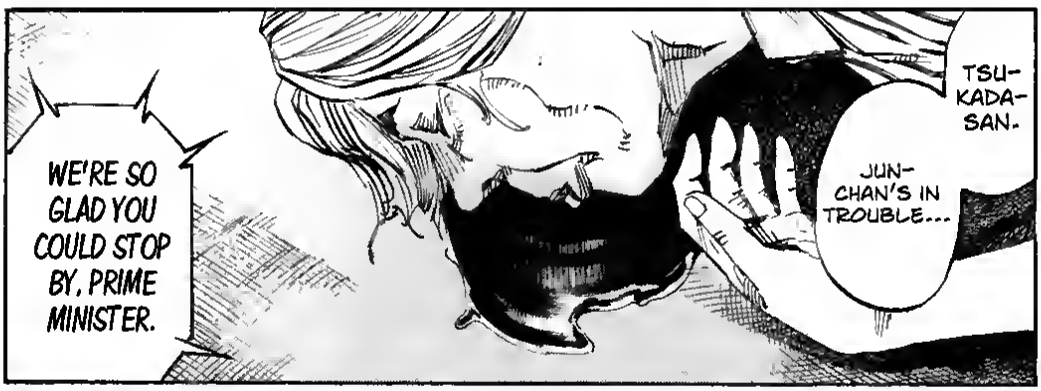
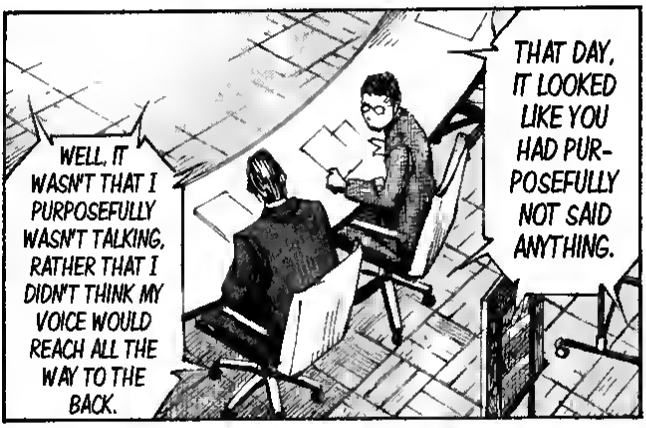
PIRURU
JYUN-CHA...


TSU-KADA-SAN.
JUN-CHAN'S IN TROUBLE...
WE'RE SO GLAD YOU COULD STOP BY, PRIME MINISTER.

Urgent Appearance of Prime Minister Kasuga!! Talking about his inspection of the Daiichi Fukushima Power Plant
AFTER THE EVENT YESTERDAY, WE'RE ACTUALLY QUITE SURPRISED
THAT YOU'RE EVEN COMING ON OUR PROGRAM.

YOU DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING TO THE CROWD THAT GATHERED AROUND YOUR RESIDENCE.
BUT NOW YOU'RE HERE TO TALK TO EVERYONE.

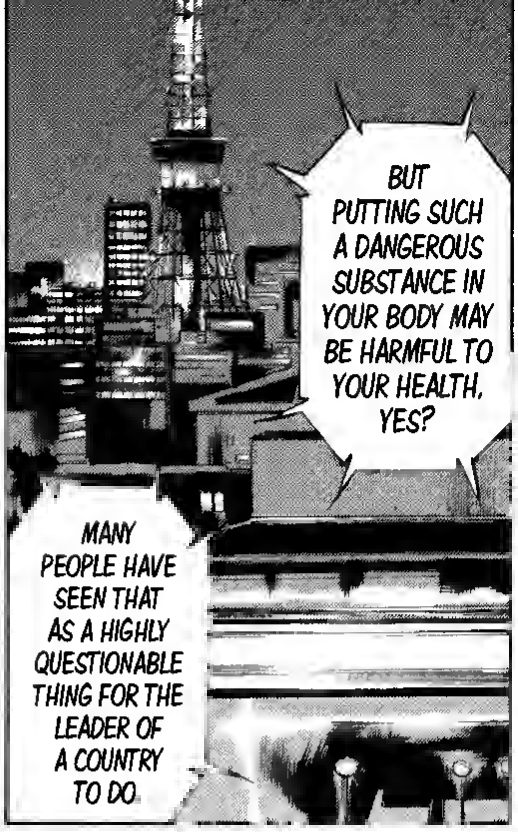
THAT'S WHY I CHOSE THIS VENUE WHERE I WAS SURE I COULD BE HEARD.


THAT DAY, IT LOOKED LIKE YOU HAD PURPOSEFULLY NOT SAID ANYTHING.
WELL, IT WASN'T THAT I PURPOSEFULLY WASN'T TALKING, RATHER THAT I DIDN'T THINK MY VOICE WOULD REACH ALL THE WAY TO THE BACK.

TO BE BLUNT, IT SEEMED LIKE A RECKLESS THING TO DO.
WHEN DID YOU FIRST THINK OF DRINKING THAT CONTAMINATED WATER?

IN THAT CASE, I'D LIKE TO ASK.

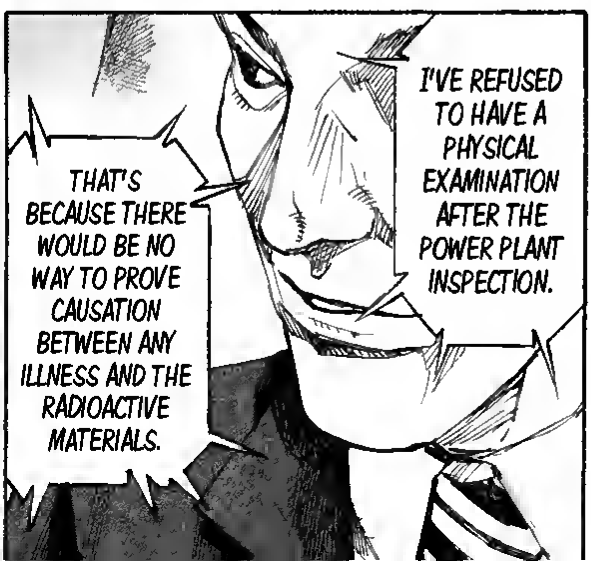
I THOUGHT OF IT QUITE A WHILE AGO.
AND I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE BEST TO DO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
YOU DECLARED THAT YOUR OWN BODY WAS THE CURRENT STATE OF JAPAN.
BUT I SUPPOSED THAT THIS EVENT WOULD BRING ON ACTIVE DEBATES OVER ITS PROS AND CONS.
BUT PRIME MINISTER, AFTER YOU DID THAT RECKLESS DEED,
TATE-MURA-SAN.
YES, SIR?
WHAT I WANT TO SAY IS SIMPLE.
WHAT IS IT YOU WOULD GO SO FAR TO SAY TO THE PEOPLE?


BUT PUTTING SUCH A DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE IN YOUR BODY MAY BE HARMFUL TO YOUR HEALTH, YES?
MANY PEOPLE HAVE SEEN THAT AS A HIGHLY QUESTIONABLE THING FOR THE LEADER OF A COUNTRY TO DO.

I WANTED TO TELL THEM THE RESOLVE OF ONE POLITICIAN TO "FOLLOW THROUGH"...
THAT IS ALL.

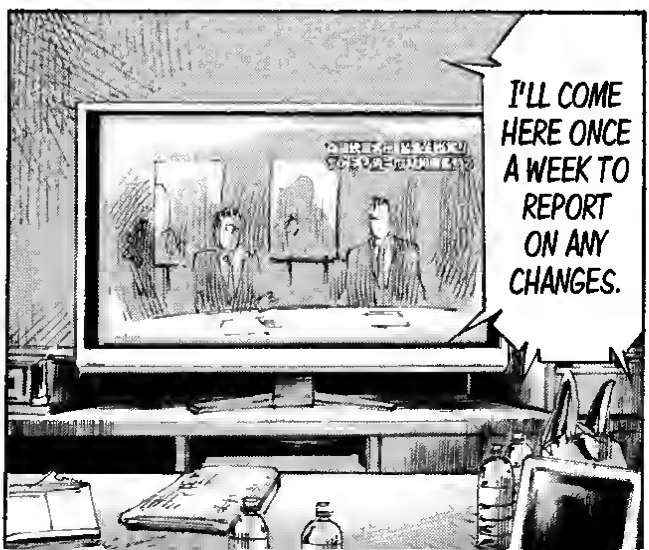
SO I WOULD LIKE TO ASK SOMETHING OF THIS COUNTRY'S CITIZENS.
I WOULD LIKE YOU ALL TO DECIDE IF IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA FOR ME TO HAVE AN EXAMINATION.
AND IF I DO,

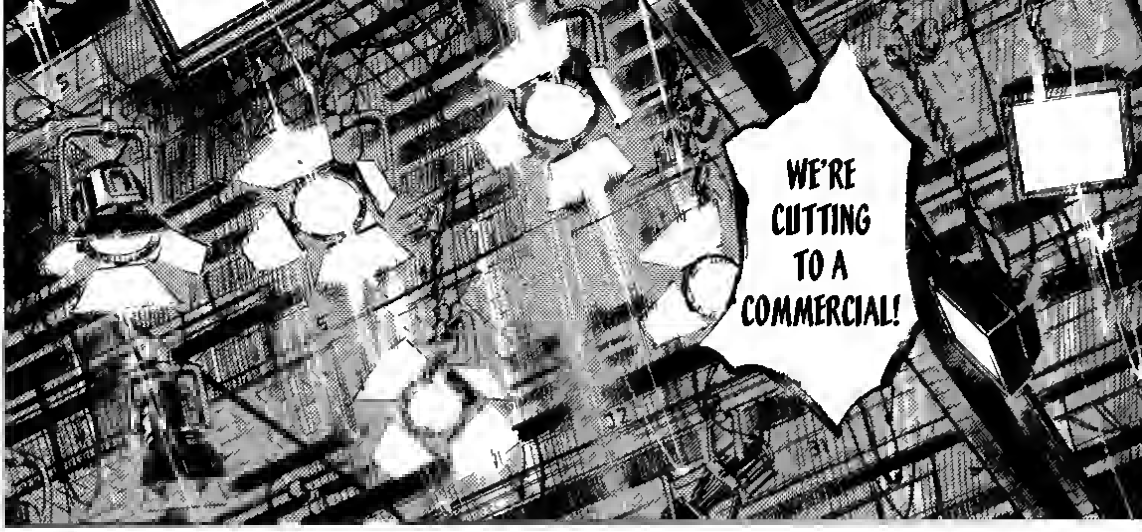
TATEMURA-SAN, WOULD YOU MIND IF I ASKED ONE THING?
NO, GO RIGHT AHEAD.


I'VE REFUSED TO HAVE A PHYSICAL EXAMINATION AFTER THE POWER PLANT INSPECTION.
THAT'S BECAUSE THERE WOULD BE NO WAY TO PROVE CAUSATION BETWEEN ANY ILLNESS AND THE RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS.

I WOULD LIKE TO CONVEY THE STATE OF MY HEALTH
IN REAL TIME.

THAT'S CRAZY!
WHAT'S HE TALKING ABOUT?


I'LL COME HERE ONCE A WEEK TO REPORT ON ANY CHANGES.

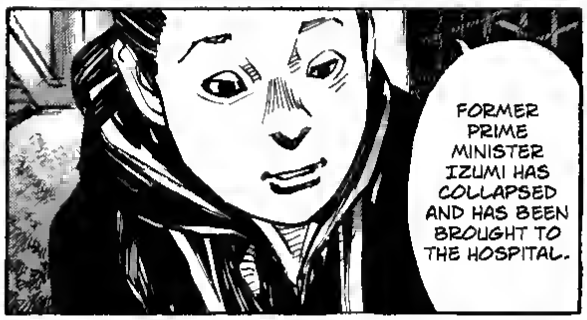

WE'RE CUTTING TO A COMMERCIAL!

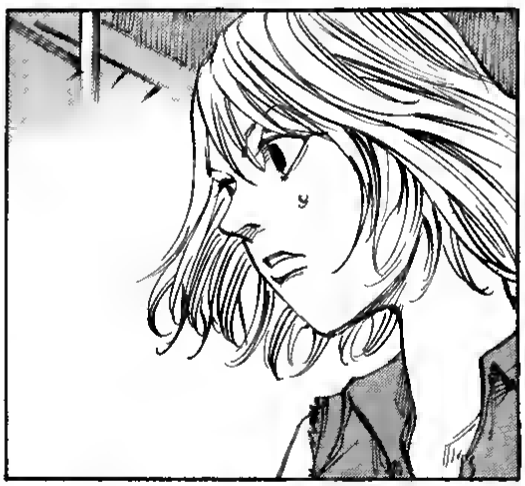
IF THE PRIME MINISTER DOES SOMETHING LIKE THAT, HE'LL TAKE OVER THE PROGRAM!
CONVEYING DATA ON A PERSON THAT MIGHT'VE GOTTEN RADIATION POISONING LIVE?

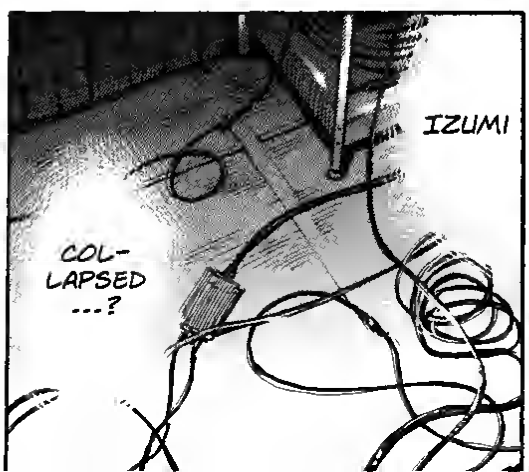
SO THIS IS THE REASON THE PRIME MINISTER DECIDED TO APPEAR HERE LIVE?
NOW THE INTEREST OF THE NATION WILL BE DRIVEN TOWARDS HIM EVEN FURTHER.
IM-PRES-SIVE.

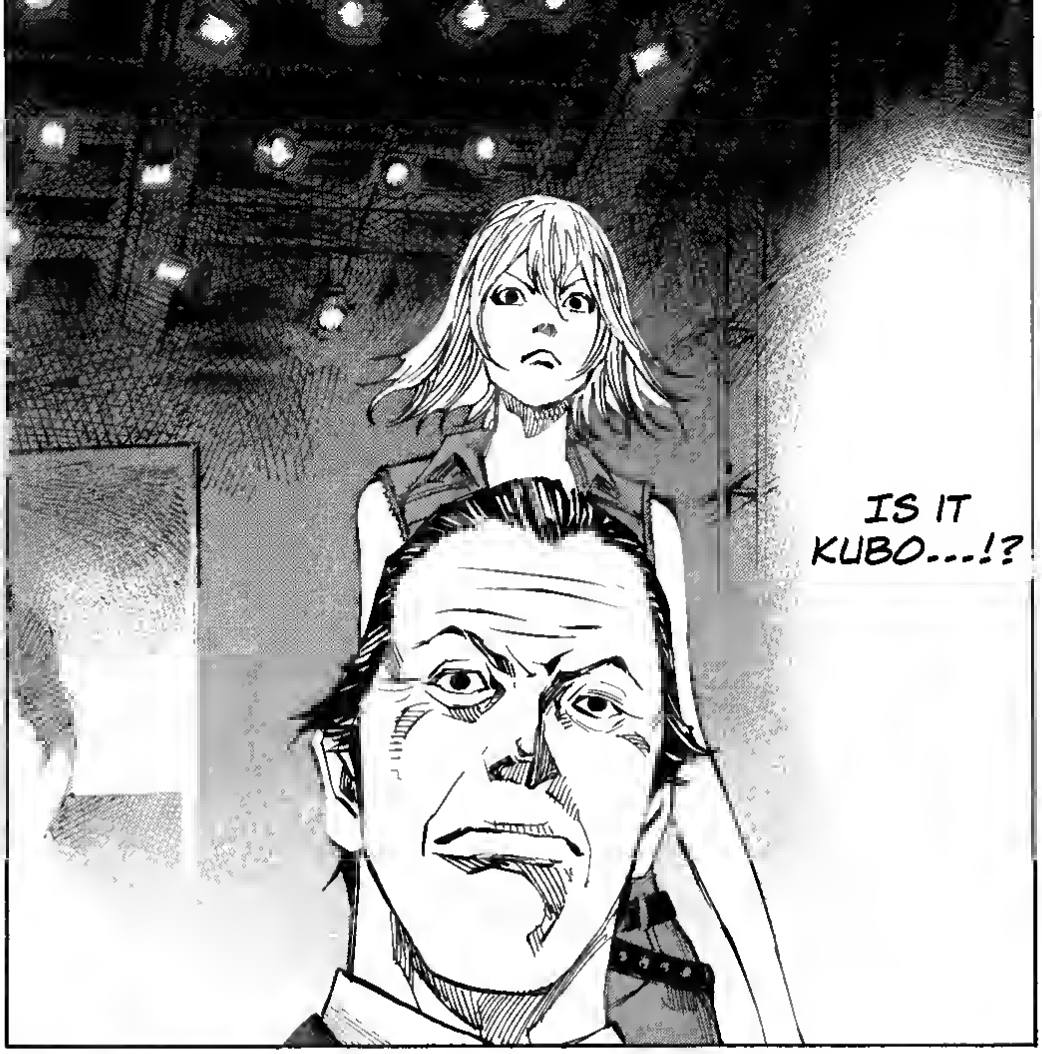
WHEN WE GET BACK FROM COMMERCIAL, WE'RE GOING TO RUN AN URGENT NEWS REPORT ON THE BOTTOM OF THE SCREEN.
WHAT? WHY?

EXCUSE ME, TATEMURA-SAN.
YES?

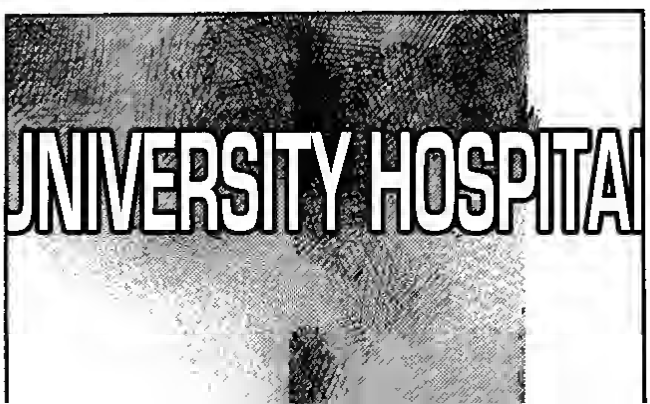

FORMER PRIME MINISTER IZUMI HAS COLLAPSED AND HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO THE HOSPITAL.




IZUMI
COL-LAPSED ...?


IS IT KUBO...!?

Former Prime Minister Izumi Jyun has been rushed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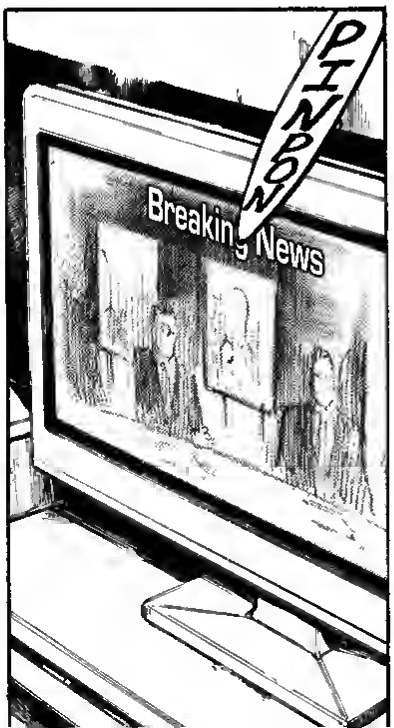
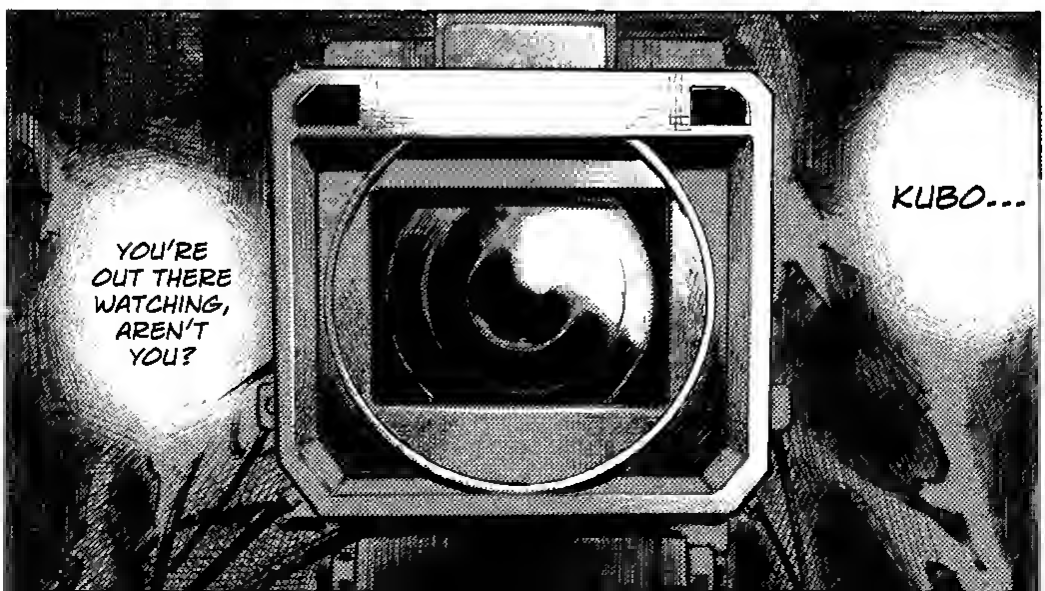

PINPON
Breaking News

DAD...
COL-
LAPSED...
I'M AFRAID THAT...
WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED SOME URGENT NEWS.

SHU
SHU
SHU
SHU
IT WAS YOU...?
DON'T TELL ME...

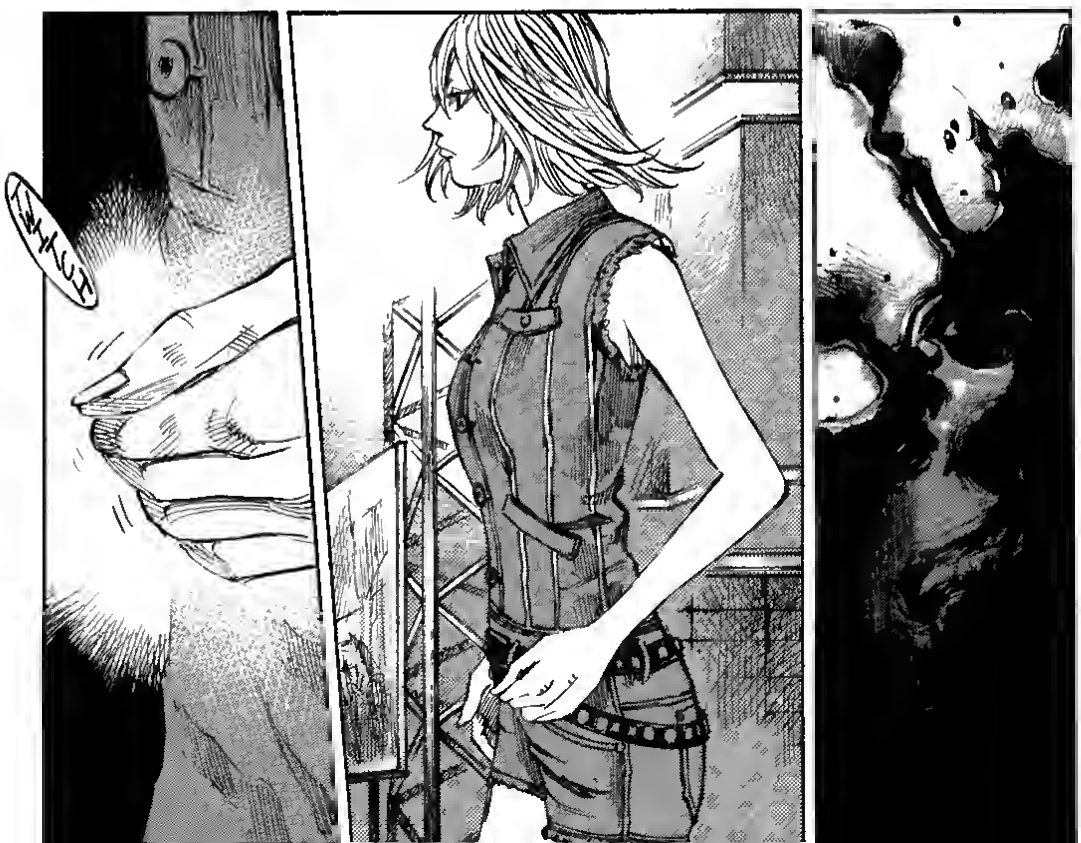
DAIKI-SAN, WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO TEACH YOU THE TRICK TO LIVING A GOOD LIFE?
FIRST, YOU FIND WHAT IT IS YOU WERE BORN TO DO,

AND THEN YOU REMOVE EVERYTHING THAT GETS IN THE WAY OF IT.

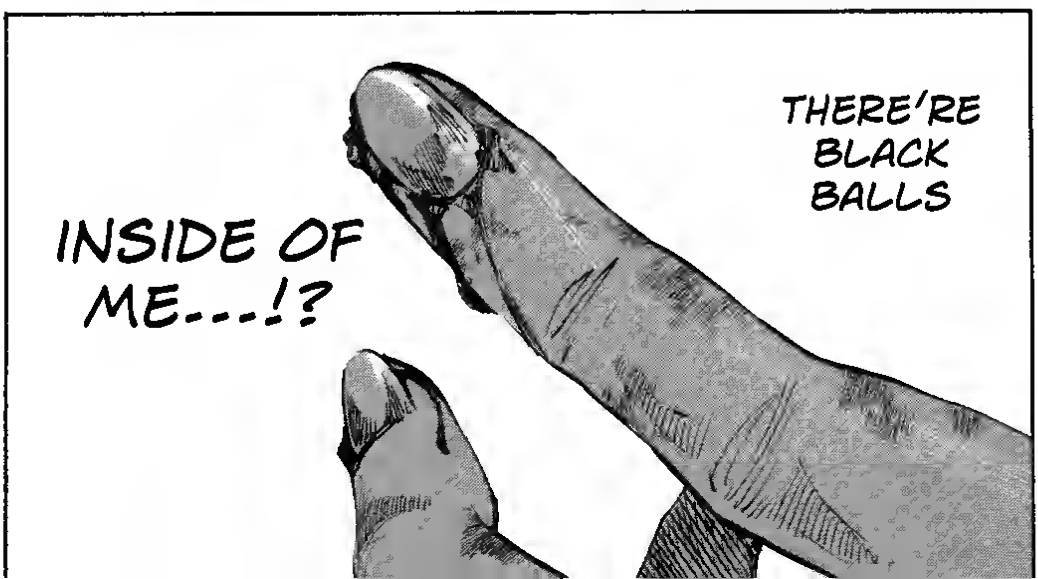

YOU'RE OUT THERE WATCHING, AREN'T YOU?
KUBO...

I CAN'T FORGIVE.
YOU'RE ONE PERSON
WILL YOUR SPIRIT BODY BE EXTINGUISHED?
OR WILL MY EARTHLY BODY BREAK DOWN?

HOW 'BOUT WE TRY AND SEE?


TCHK!

BUMP


THERE'RE BLACK BALLS
INSIDE OF ME...!?

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WHERE AM I---?

IT'S DARK---

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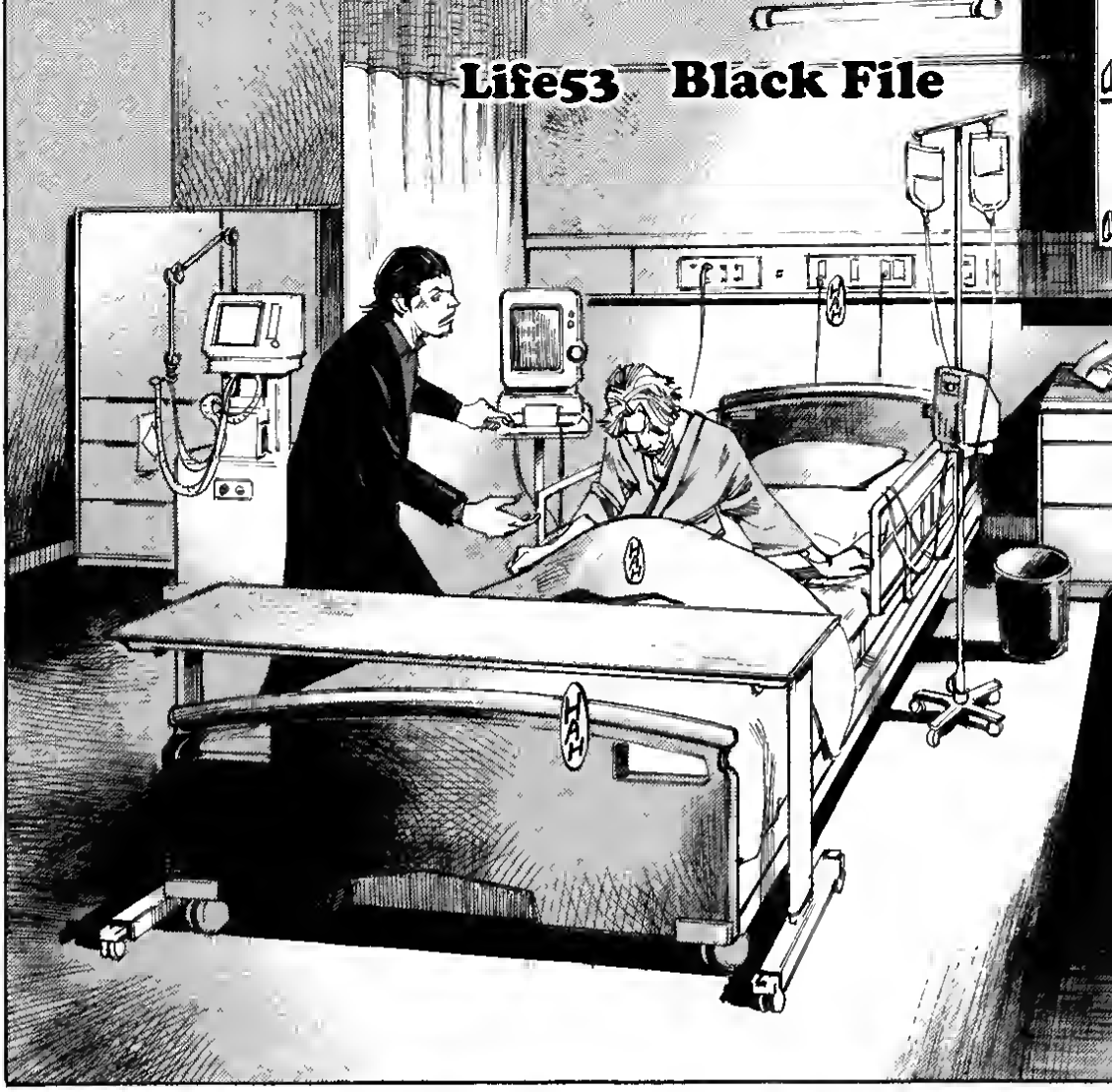
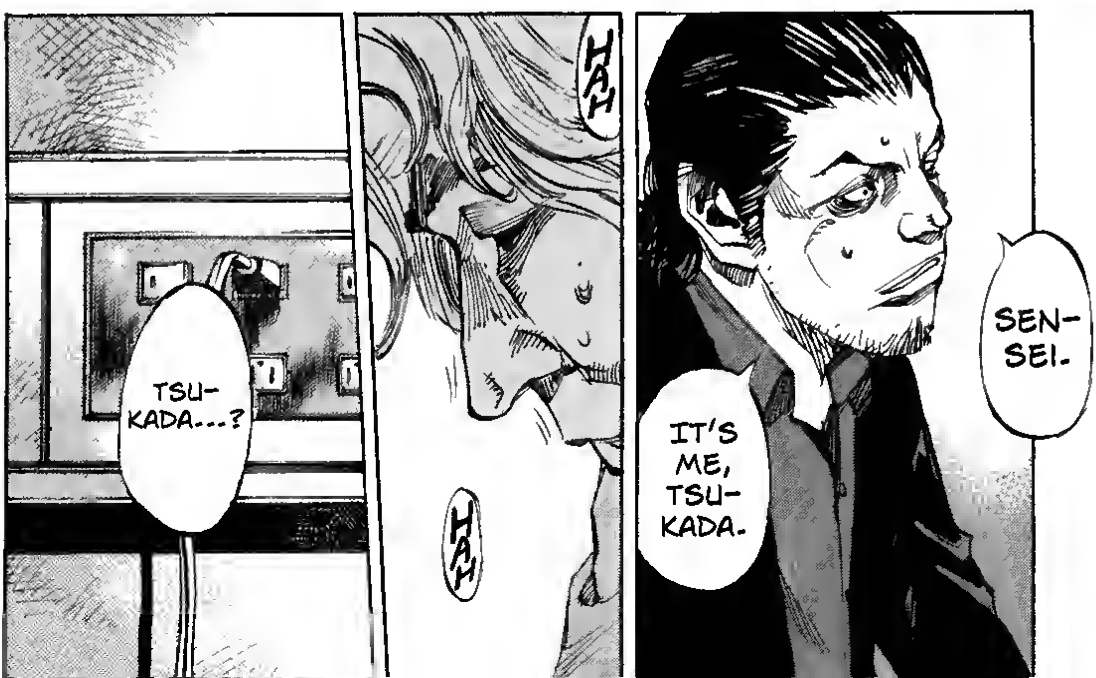




I CAN'T SEE.
EVERY-THING'S BLACK.
WHERE AM I?
WHERE ...

TSU-
KADA...
GET
EVERYONE
OUT OF THE
ROOM...

THEY'RE GONE.
MY CELL PHONE...
IZUMI

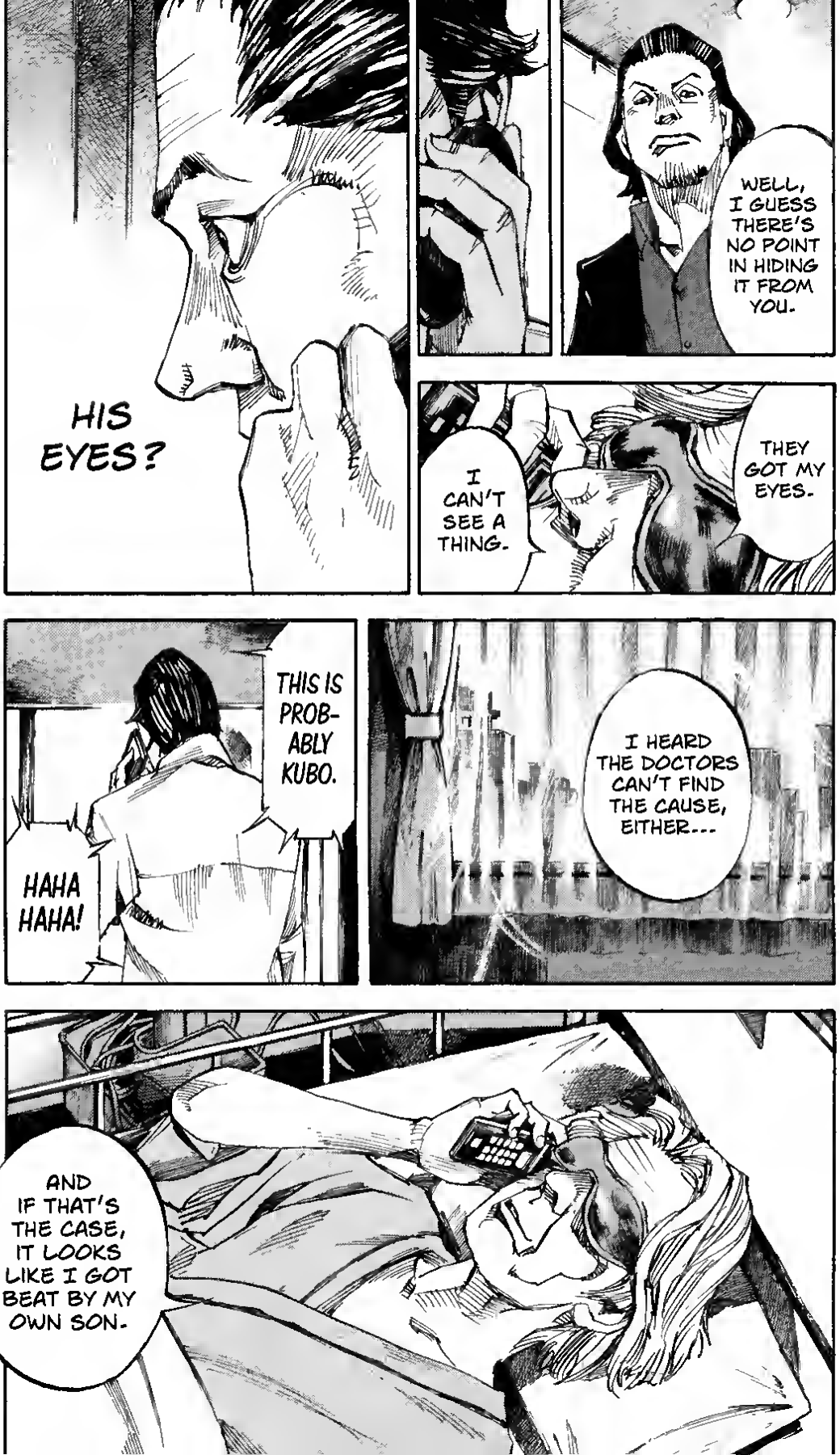
HUA
YES?

THIS IS MAMINE.
GOOD MORNING.

THE PRIME MINISTER IS HERE, AS WELL.
JUST A MOMENT.

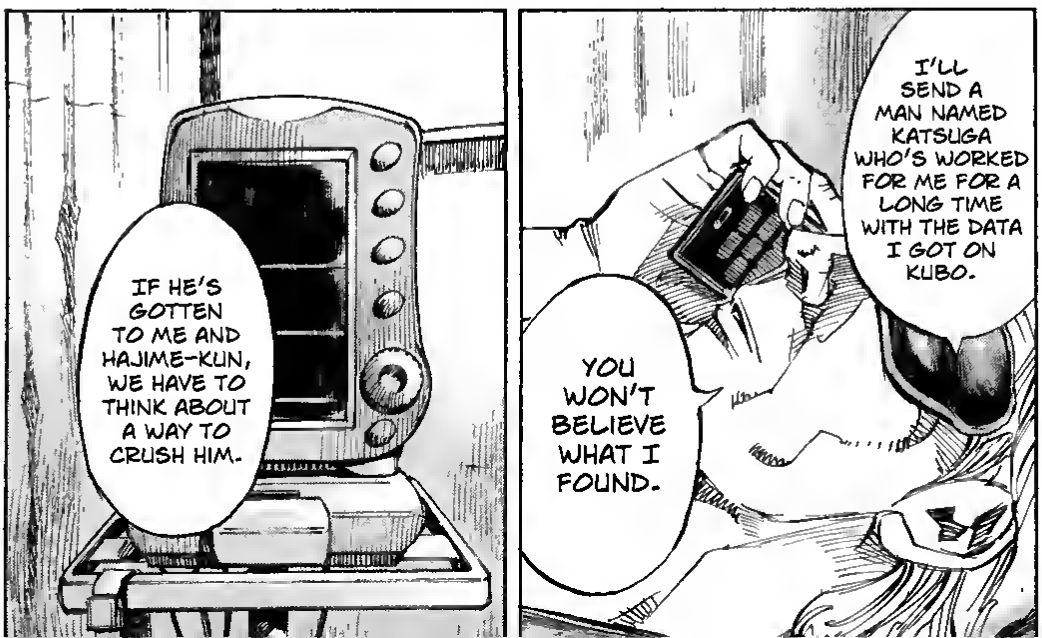
IT'S ME.
AH, KASUGA?

I GUESS I'VE REALLY WORRIED YOU.
SO, HOW ARE YOU?


HIS EYES?
WELL, I GUESS THERE'S NO POINT IN HIDING IT FROM YOU.
I CAN'T SEE A THING.
THEY GOT MY EYES.
THIS IS PROB-ABLY KUBO.
HAHA HAHA!
I HEARD THE DOCTORS CAN'T FIND THE CAUSE, EITHER---
AND IF THAT'S THE CASE, IT LOOKS LIKE I GOT BEAT BY MY OWN SON.

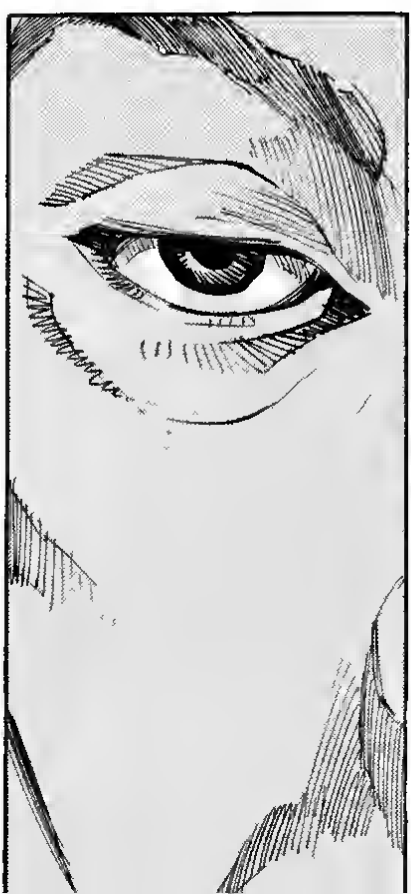
KA-
SUGA,
NUCLEAR POWER IS PRETTY COMPLICATED, BUT THIS KUBO IS PRETTY DANGEROUS, TOO.

IF WE DON'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT HIM, HE MIGHT TARGET THE CORE GOVERNMENT, TOO.

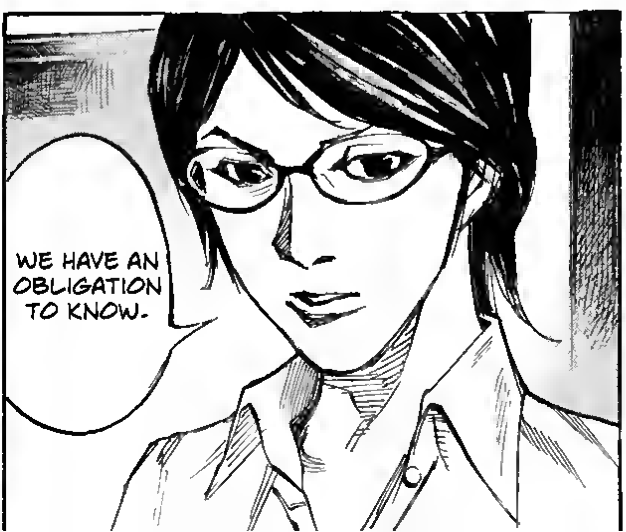

IF HE'S GOTTEN TO ME AND HAJIME-KUN, WE HAVE TO THINK ABOUT A WAY TO CRUSH HIM.
I'LL SEND A MAN NAMED KATSUGA WHO'S WORKED FOR ME FOR A LONG TIME WITH THE DATA I GOT ON KUBO.
YOU WON'T BELIEVE WHAT I FOUND.

OKAY, I'LL CALL YOU AGAIN TONIGHT.
SORRY FOR THE TROUBLE I'VE CAUSED.
JYUN-SAN.
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
IT'S FOR THE COUNTRY...

HAH
HAH
WHEN KASUGA SHOWED ME THE NEXT WORLD, MY ANCESTORS WERE CRYING.
IS THIS WHAT THAT MEANT?
GUUUOH!

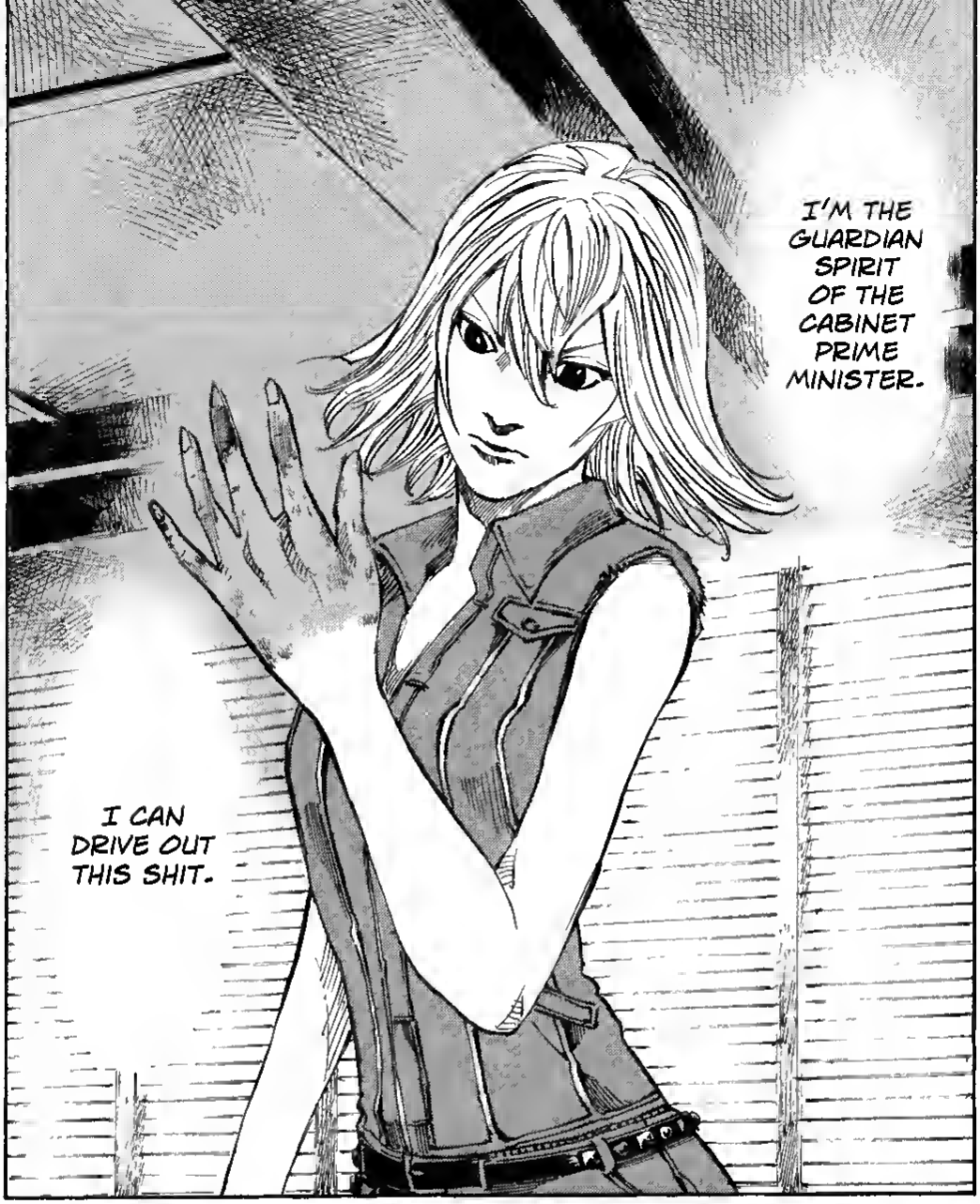


PRIME MINISTER, PLEASE TELL US WHAT IS GOING ON.


WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO KNOW.

SOME BLACK BALLS GOT INTO ME AT FUKUSHIMA...
AND THEY'RE RESONATING WITH KUBO'S EVIL AND GOING WILD.
THIS EVIL THAT'S GOTTEN INTO MY BODY...
RIYON!
RIYON!
IT'S JUST LIKE THE CANCER CELLS FROM WHEN I WAS ALIVE.

I LOST THAT TIME,
BUT THIS TIME I WON'T.
I AIN'T GONNA CAUSE ANYBODY ANYMORE SADNESS.


I'M THE GUARDIAN SPIRIT OF THE CABINET PRIME MINISTER.
I CAN DRIVE OUT THIS SHIT.

KA

ARE YOU TSU-KADA-KUN?
YES, SIR.

PRIME MINIS-TER.

MM.

HERE.

THAT'S RIGHT.
THE RECORD OF A MONSTER, HUH?

PRIME MINISTER... THIS SURE IS FUN, HUH...?

YOU'RE MY REASON FOR LIVING...

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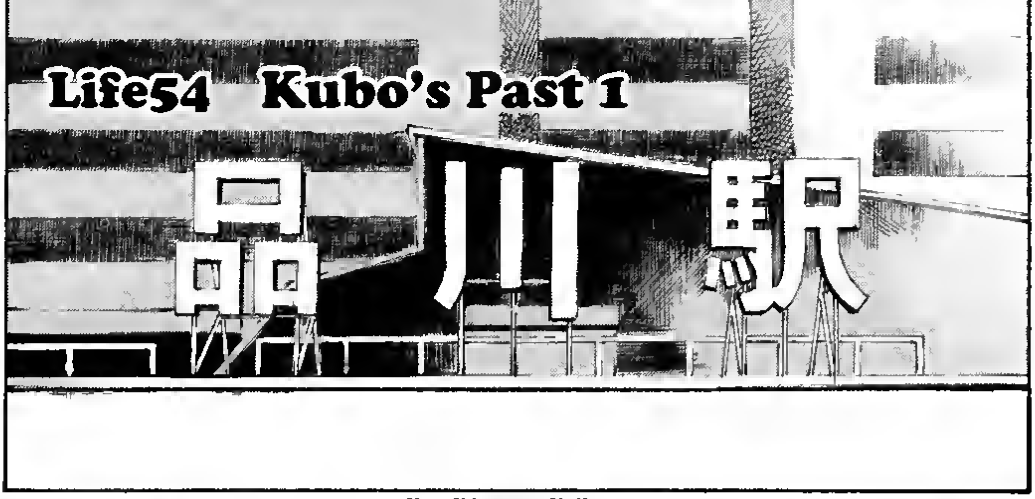

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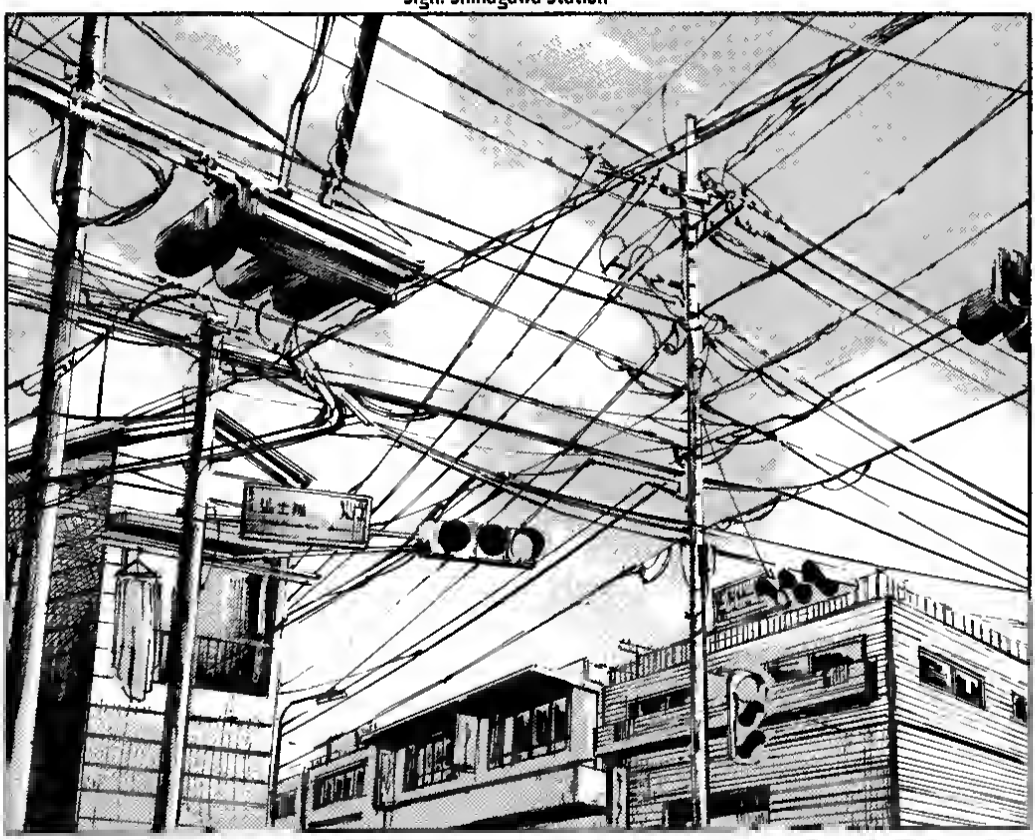


KUBO-SAN, EH?
AHHH.

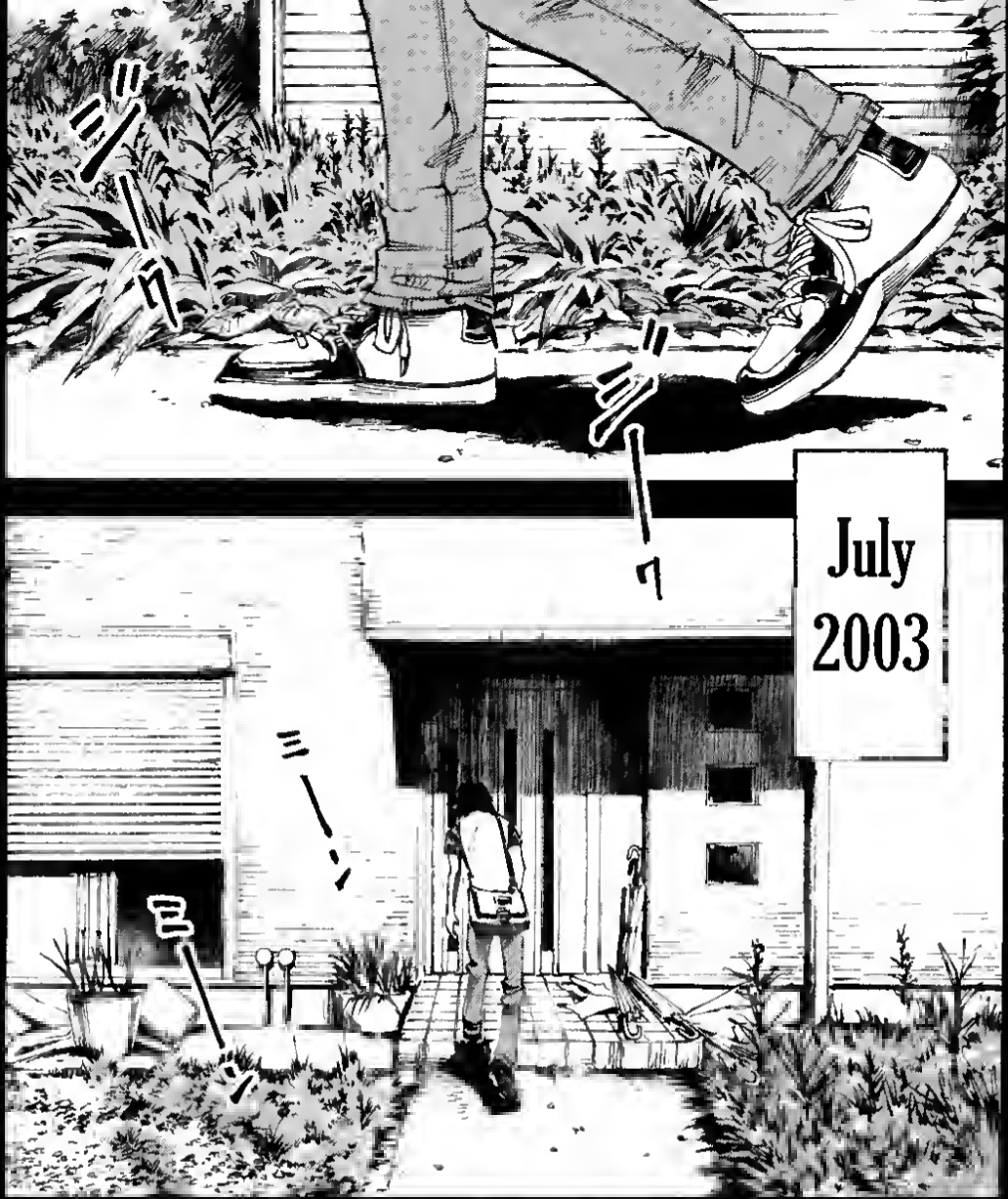
AHHHH, HERE IT IS.
KUBO-SAN, KUBO-SAN...
UHH...

UM...
I'M, UH, KUBO. I CAME TO GET THE MEAT I ORDERED.

TWO KILOS OF LIVER, RIGHT?
THAT'S ONE TOP-QUALITY PRODUCT.

HOW LONG'S IT BEEN SINCE I'VE HAD AN APPETITE?
THANKS FOR YOUR PATRON-AGE!

I FORGET...
IT WAS A LONG TIME AGO...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I'M HOME.

TAP
TAP
TAP
SAWAKO, YOU THERE?
RATTLE
SA-
WAKO
...

SA-
WAKO.
MAMA,
YOU...
KILLED
HER?

...

WHO'S THERE?
STAY AWAY.

IT'S ME.
IT'S BIG BROTHER.

SAWA-KO...
YOU JUST GOT POSSESSED BY EVIL SO YOU LOST TRACK OF WHO YOU ARE A LITTLE BIT.
THEN IT'LL BE OKAY.
EVERY-THING'S GONNA BE FINE, OKAY?
LET'S JUST CALM DOWN A BIT.

!
CLANK
DASH
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP

WAI...

WOOSH
THUMP

ピーーーピーーー

POLICE
!
HM?
WHAT'S WRONG?
I KILLED MY...
MOTHER AND LITTLE SISTER.

PLEASE EXECUTE ME.

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Sign: -tani Police Station

PAT

OKAY,
I'LL START.
I BOUGHT HAMBURGERS.
WANT ONE?
OH,
I'VE NEVER HAD ONE BEFORE, BUT THESE THINGS ARE PRETTY DAMN GOOD.
THIS IS REALLY
THE SECOND TIME, ISN'T IT?

WHEN YOU WERE ON A TRIP WITH YOUR WIFE,
YOU HAD SOME, DIDN'T YOU?
HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT?
I KILLED MY MOTHER AND LITTLE SISTER.
I KNOW OTHER THINGS, TOO.
SO, PLEASE EXECUTE ME.

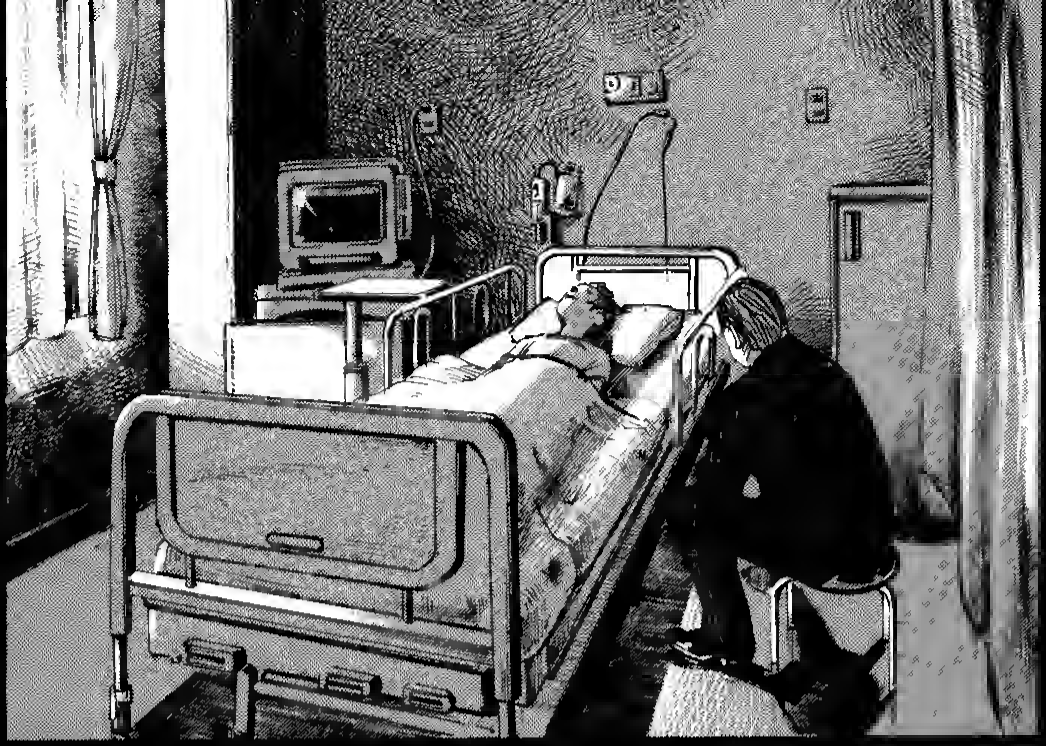
ABOUT WHAT YOU DID BEFORE YOU TURNED YOURSELF IN?
ABOUT HOW YOU KILLED THOSE TWO,
SO, WHY DON'T YOU TELL ME?
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE THAT KNOWS, RIGHT?
SHU
SHU
FILED FISH
BACON

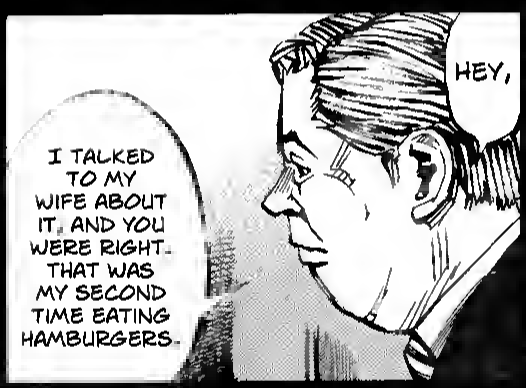
WHAT'S WRONG!?
HEY!

GAH
GAH
SOME-
ONE!
CALL AN
AMBU-
LANCE!

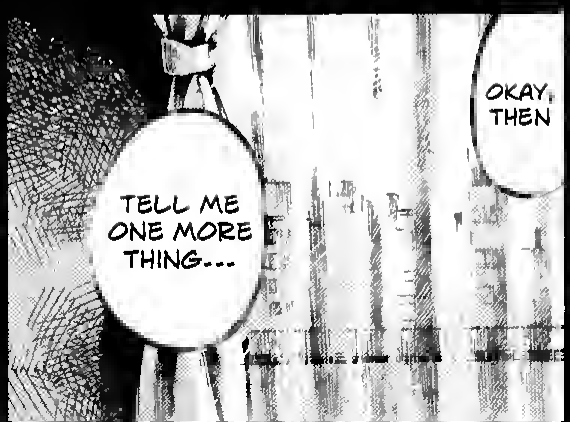
BOTTOM OF THE SIXTH. THE GIANTS ARE AT BAT.
WAAH
WAAAAAH
YOU HAVE.
REMEMBER, WE ATE THEM IN THE CAR WHEN WE WERE STUCK IN TRAFFIC THAT TIME WE WENT TO ATAMI.
HEY,
HAVE I EVER EATEN HAM-BURGERS BEFORE?

WAAA!
AH,
THAT'S RIGHT.
THERE'S THIS TWELVE YEAR OLD BOY WHO'S UNDER SO MUCH STRESS, HE'S GOT A HOLE IN HIS STOMACH.
DON
WHY DO YOU ASK?
IT'S NOTH-ING...
I'VE GOT TO HELP HIM...




HEY,
I TALKED TO MY WIFE ABOUT IT, AND YOU WERE RIGHT. THAT WAS MY SECOND TIME EATING HAMBURGERS.

...YEAH.
IT WAS ONLY THE SECOND TIME, EVEN THOUGH YOU EAT PIZZA SO OFTEN...


OKAY, THEN
TELL ME ONE MORE THING...

FIRST OF ALL, YOU DON'T HAVE ANY MOTIVE AT ALL FOR KILLING YOUR PARENTS, RIGHT...?
YOU CAN'T TRY TO TAKE THE BLAME YOURSELF.
WHAT IS IT YOU'RE CARRYING?
I KNOW YOU'RE TRYING TO STICK UP FOR SOMEONE.
BUT YOU SHOULDN'T SUFFER THROUGH IT ON YOUR OWN.
SO PLEASE, TALK TO ME.
ABOUT THAT...

STRANGE POWER OF YOURS...
IT'S NOT NORMAL,
WHAT YOU'VE GOT.
I WISH THIS THING NEVER EXISTED!

IT'S BE-CAUSE OF THIS POWER
THAT EVERYONE GOT SO FUCKED UP...
TELL ME ABOUT IT.
I'M YOUR ALLY.

HE SEES EVERYTHING LIKE A SLIDE SHOW. THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN.
KOUJI CAN SEE PEOPLE'S PASTS AND FUTURES.

BUT HE CAN MAKE IT SO ANOTHER PERSON HAS SUDDENLY BEEN INJECTED WITH LETHAL POISON.
IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE,
AND HE ALSO HAS THAT POWER OF "POSSESSING WITH EVIL".

AND THE MORE YOU USE IT, THE MORE YOUR BODY BREAKS DOWN.
BUT IT SEEMS THAT THAT EVIL CANNOT BE FIRED UNLESS IT IS PULLED FROM A PLACE KOUJI CALLS THE "DARKNESS REALM"

FOR A GIRL OF ONLY SEVEN YEARS OLD, THAT POWER WAS TOO INCREDIBLE TO BEAR.
TO USE HIS PHRASING, "SHE WAS LIKE A GIRL THAT STOOD IN THE PASSAGE BETWEEN EARTH AND THE DARKNESS REALM."
IT ALSO SEEMS THAT SAWAKO, HIS LITTLE SISTER, HAD POWER GREATER THAN KOUJI.
AND SHE INFECTED HER MOTHER WITH EVIL.
HER HEART AND MIND GREW ILL
K·K
I THINK I'LL KEEP A RECORD ON KOUJI AS HE CONTINUES DOWN THIS CHECKERED LIFE.
August 2003...

December
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藤木
GOOD EVE-NING...
OH, I'M GLAD YOU CAME.
!!
KOUJI, MY WIFE HAS BEEN WORKING VERY HARD
ALL AFTERNOON TO BAKE A CAKE, AND I'VE BEEN DYING TO TRY IT.

C'MON IN.
HM... WHAT'S WRONG?
!?
DO YOU NOT WANNA SPEND CHRISTMAS WITH US?
HEY, HEY.

C'MON, MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME.
THIS PERSON ---
HAS NO LIFE SPAN.

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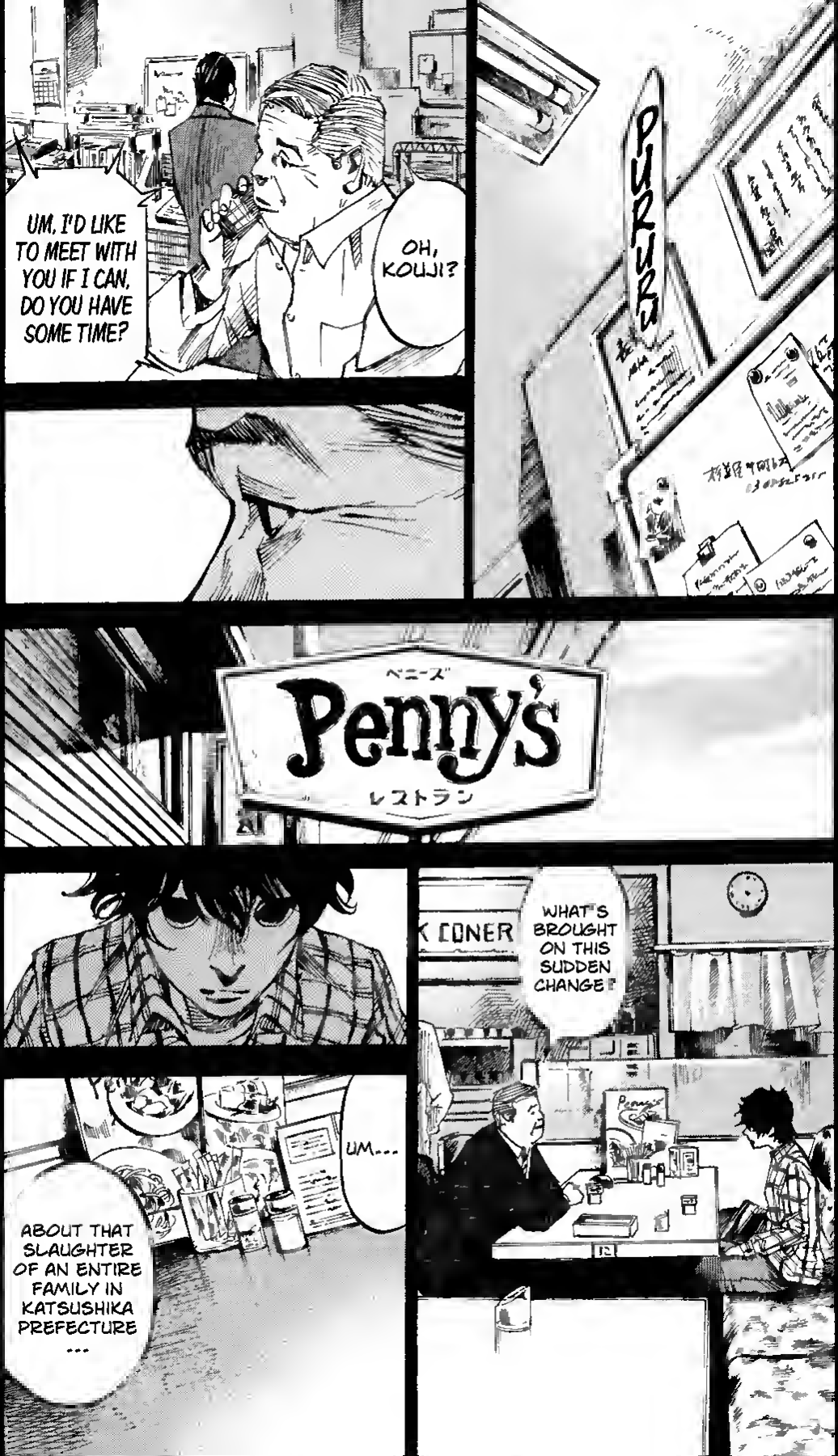
I UNDER-STOOD
CE STATION
THAT KOUJI WAS HIDING SOME-THING.
AND HOW
IMPORTANT THAT WAS.


UM, I'D LIKE TO MEET WITH YOU IF I CAN, DO YOU HAVE SOME TIME?
OH, KOUJI?
PURURU
ペニーズ
Penny's
レストラン
WHAT'S BROUGHT ON THIS SUDDEN CHANGE?
UM...
ABOUT THAT SLAUGHTER OF AN ENTIRE FAMILY IN KATSUSHIKA PREFECTURE ...

HE'S IN SHIZUOKA.
I KNOW WHO DID IT.
YES.
WE'RE REALLY ASHAMED WE COULDN'T CATCH THE CULPRIT.
THIS INCIDENT WASN'T PUBLICIZED, BUT MY POSITION WITHIN THE STATION ROSE DRAMATICALLY.
取調室
ALL BECAUSE KOUJI USED HIS SPIRITUAL SIGHT TO FIND INFORMATION ON THE MURDERED IN AN UNSOLVED CASE AND TOLD ME ABOUT IT.
DAY AFTER DAY
LIKE HE WAS HURRYING SOME-THING...

Weeee

CHAZ
KACHAK
WHAT'S GOING ON, KOUJI?
YOU'RE HERE, AREN'T YOU?
CREAK
STARE

WHAT'S WRONG?
YOU HAVEN'T BEEN PICKING UP YOUR PHONE RECENTLY, HAVE YOU?
...KOUJI,
DID SOME-THING HAPPEN?
I...
DON'T WANT TO LIVE ANYMORE.
TAKAGI-SAN,

THIS WORLD IS HELL.
THE THING YOU'RE HIDING IS THE CAUSE OF THIS, ISN'T IT?
DO YOU WANNA TALK ABOUT IT...?
AT THIS POINT, I WON'T BE SURPRISED NO MATTER WHAT YOU TELL ME.
KOUJI,
I WAS TALKING IT OVER WITH MY WIFE, AND WE DECIDED.

WE THOUGHT THAT BEFORE YOU TURN TWENTY, WE COULD OFFICIALLY BECOME YOUR FAMILY.
WE DON'T HAVE ANY KIDS.
IF YOU'RE OKAY WITH IT, THAT IS, KOUJI.
SO PLEASE, DON'T TRY TO CARRY EVERYTHING ON YOUR OWN.
WE'LL HELP YOU, SO PLEASE, TALK TO US ABOUT IT.
I CAN'T.

THIS IS ONE THING
I CAN'T TALK ABOUT!
I UNDERSTAND, KOUJI.
PLEASE DON'T CRY ANYMORE.
I'M SORRY.
IT'S OKAY.
I KNOW THAT THOSE POWERS OF YOURS CAUSE YOU PAIN SOMETIMES.

I'M SORRY FOR YOU...

ONLY WARMTH.
THERE ARE PEOPLE LIKE THIS IN THE WORLD.
THEY SHOW NO ANGER
OR DISDAIN...

WHERE IS THE KILLER BEHIND THE SERIAL YOUNG GIRL MURDERS...?
BUT KOUJI, AS A DETECTIVE, I HAVE TO ASK THIS.
THAT SIX YEAR OLD GIRL IS IN DANGER.
PLEASE, TELL ME.
KOUJI,
I'M A DETECTIVE. I WANT TO SAVE THAT GIRL NO MATTER WHAT IT TAKES.
GRAB
WHY IS IT THAT AFTER ALL THAT SPIRITUAL SEEING YOU'VE DONE, YOU'VE REFUSED ONLY THIS ONE TIME?

PLEASE,
LOOK FOR ME.
THE GIRL IS STILL ALIVE.
THE CULPRIT IS NEARBY.
I CAN'T TELL HIM HIS LIFE SPAN.

I CAN'T TELL HIM
THAT HE'S ABOUT TO DIE...

K...
KOUJI, IS THAT YOU...?
MY BODY WON'T MOVE.
WHAT HAPPENED ...?
THE CULPRIT RAN INTO THE APART-MENT
AND AFTER A STRUG-GLE,
YOU FELL FROM UP THERE...

KOUJI... PLEASE CALL AN AMBULANCE AND GET HELP.
I SEE.
SHE'S ALL RIGHT...? GOOD.
THE GIRL... IS SHE ALL RIGHT?
SHE'S OKAY... SHE'S IN ONE OF THE ROOMS. THE CULPRIT GOT AWAY, THOUGH.
HEY...
WHAT'S WRONG, KOUJI?
...
THAT THERE'S NO HELP FOR ME NOW?
ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY

SO THIS IS...
WHAT YOU WERE HIDING...
I SEE.
YOU KNEW THIS WOULD HAPPEN. SO YOU DIDN'T SAY ANY-THING...?

THAT MUST'VE BEEN HARD...

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I RECEIVED AN ODD PHONE CALL WITH HIM EARLIER, AND SINCE THEN I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO GET IN CONTACT WITH HIM.
EXCUSE ME, I'M A RELATIVE OF A SOMEONE NAMED KAWAMOTO NOBORU THAT'S STAYING THERE.

I THINK HE'S IN ROOM 302. DO YOU THINK YOU COULD GO CHECK IN ON HIM FOR ME...?
HUH...?
I DON'T WANT TO LIVE... HE SAID THAT SORT OF THING.
302
SOMETHING LIKE... IT'S ALL OVER FOR ME.
HUH...? WHAT WAS THE CALL ABOUT?

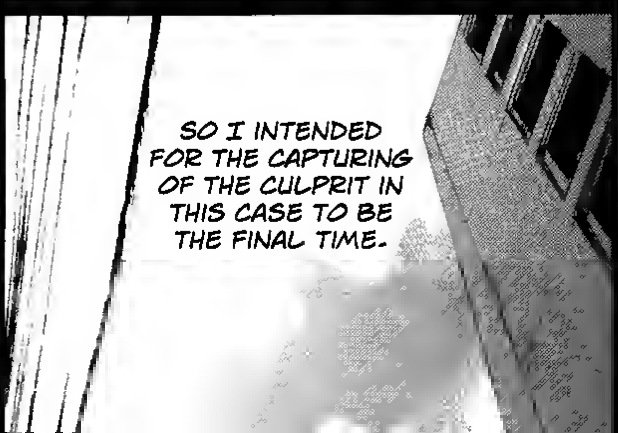
WHAT SHOULD WE DO? DO WE OPEN IT?
WE'VE GOT NO CHOICE.
KAWA-MOTO-SAN!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
KAWA-MOTO-SAN!
UGH!
BAM

CLANK
RRRRR
THIS WAS THE LAST THING HE TOLD ME.
ONCE TAKAGI-SAN HAD DIED AND BECOME NOTHING BUT A SOUL,

"IF THAT POWER BRINGS YOU PAIN, KOUJI, THEN JUST LIVE A PEACEFUL LIFE AND NEVER USE THEM AGAIN...." HE SAID.
"I WAS WRONG FOR USING YOUR SPIRITUAL POWERS ALL THIS TIME."

THAT I LOST MY PARENTS, MY SISTER, AND TAKAGI-SAN.
IT WAS BECAUSE OF THESE POWERS

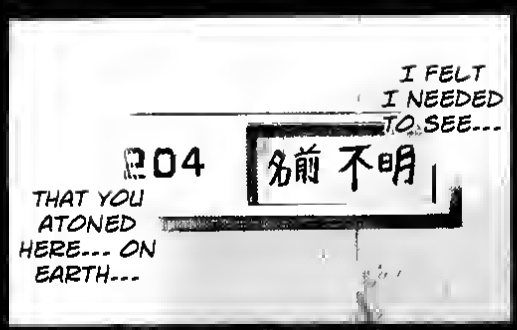
I THOUGHT
THE SAME THING.


SO I INTENDED FOR THE CAPTURING OF THE CULPRIT IN THIS CASE TO BE THE FINAL TIME.

BUT... IT WAS LIKE A NIGHTMARE, THOUGH... JUST BY FREQUENCIES ALIGNING, I WOULD INADVERTENTLY SEE THE FEELINGS AND LIVES OF PEOPLE...

Sign: Hospital

AS SOON AS YOU KNEW YOU HAD NOWHERE LEFT TO RUN, YOU TRIED TO LEAVE THIS WORLD THROUGH SUICIDE, BUT I COULDN'T LET YOU.
YOU, SOMEONE WHO KILLED LITTLE GIRLS JUST FOR YOUR OWN PLEASURE...



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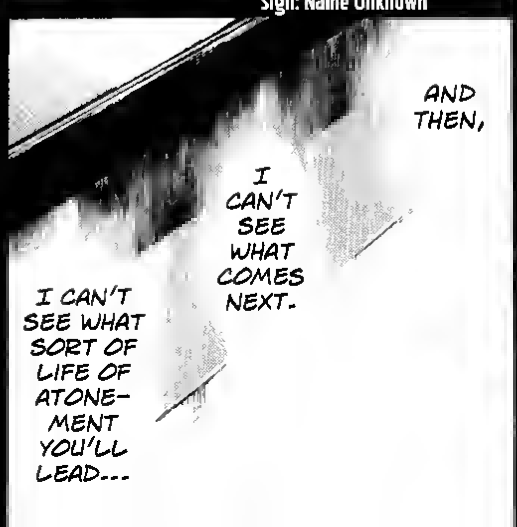


I COULDN'T SEE ANYTHING.
IT WAS SO DARK...
AND THEN I SEARCHED AS HARD AS I COULD TO FIND THE REASON I COULDN'T SEE.
REACHED THE ANSWER.
AND THEN I FINALLY

WHY I COULDN'T SEE YOUR LIFE...
YOU CAME TO, EH?
THAT WAS A MIRACULOUS COMEBACK...

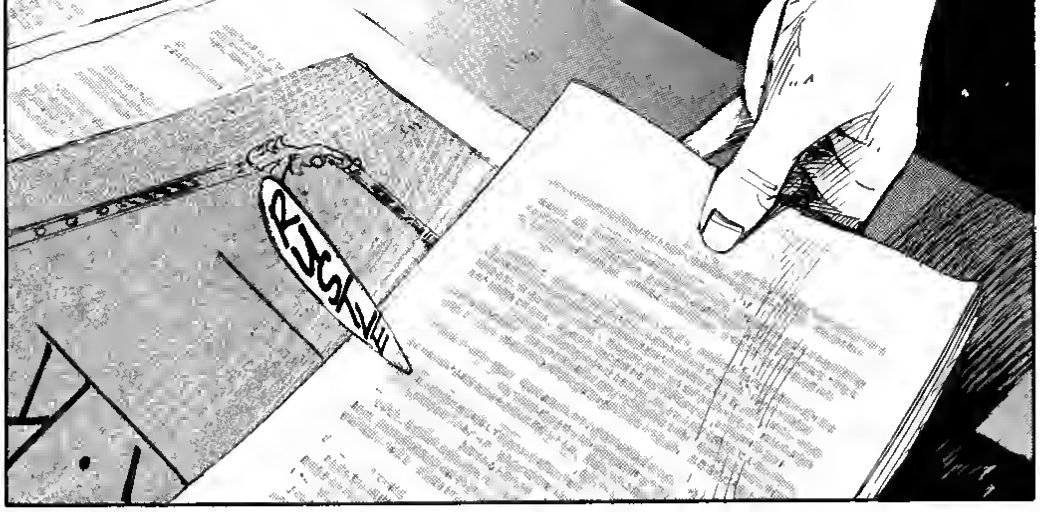
I THOUGHT ABOUT IT A LITTLE.
AND I FIGURED SOMETHING OUT.
AND THAT IS...
BECAUSE IT WAS MY OWN LIFE...
WITH THIS INCREDIBLY USELESS POWER.
I CAN'T SEE MY OWN LIFE.
AIN'T THAT A RIOT?
SO THAT MEANS
THE ONE TO END YOUR LIFE...

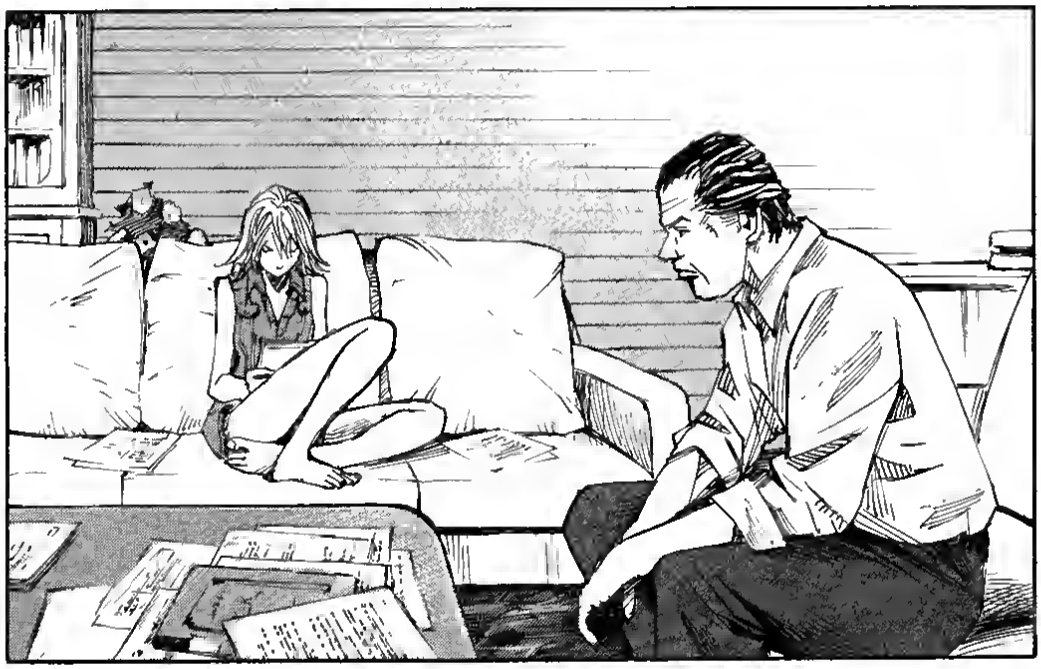
WILL
BE ME...
UGUH!

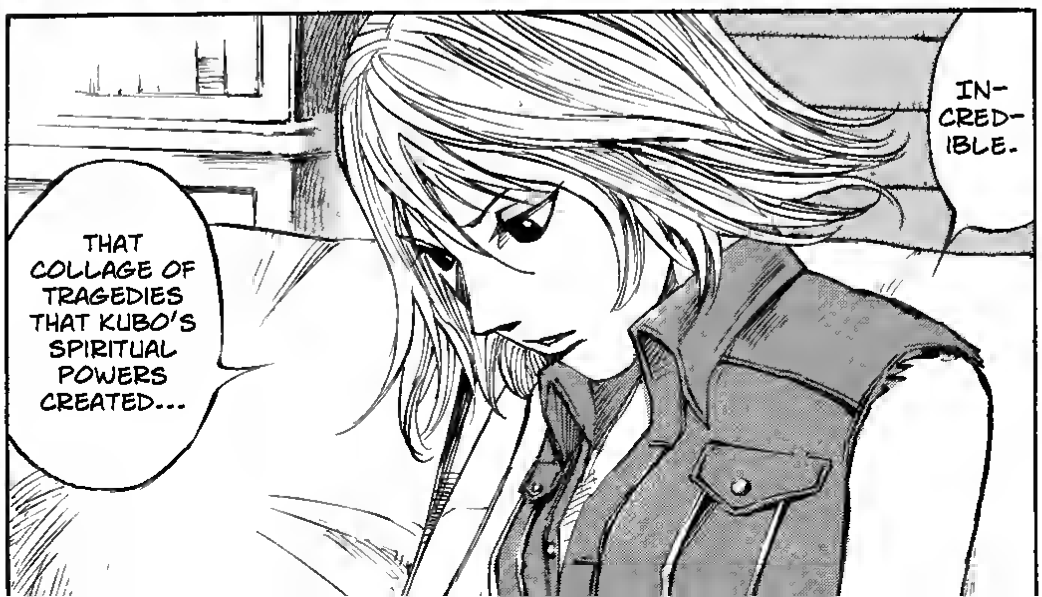
I'LL TELL YOU ONE FINAL THING...
THE DETECTIVE YOU SHOVED OFF THE SEVENTH STORY...
WAS MY
FATHER-
VUU UUH
VUU UUU
SO I'M GETTING REVENGE-

"SUSPECT FOR SERIAL YOUNG GIRL MURDERS KILLED IN HOSPITAL"
TAKAGI-SAN, I'M SORRY...
BUT I CAN'T GO BACK NOW...

NOW THAT I'VE KILLED A PERSON WITH MY OWN HANDS, I CAN ONLY FALL INTO THE DARK WORK.
AND... THAT'S FOR THE BEST.



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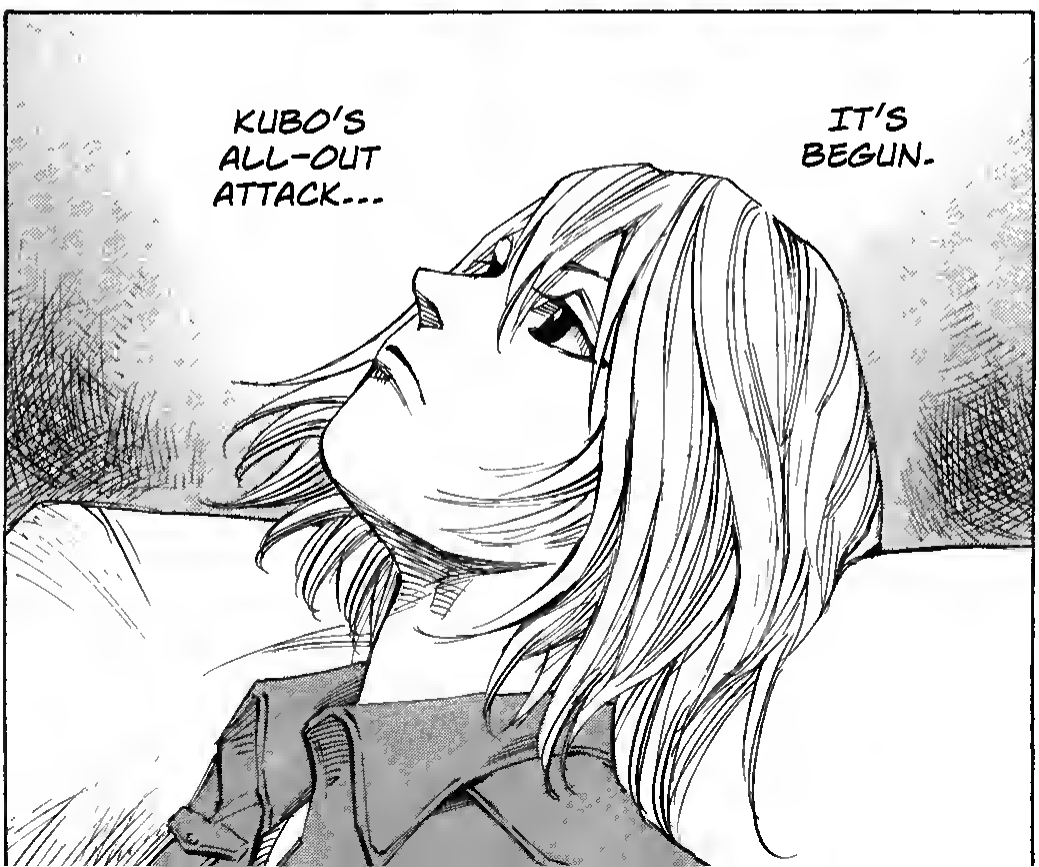
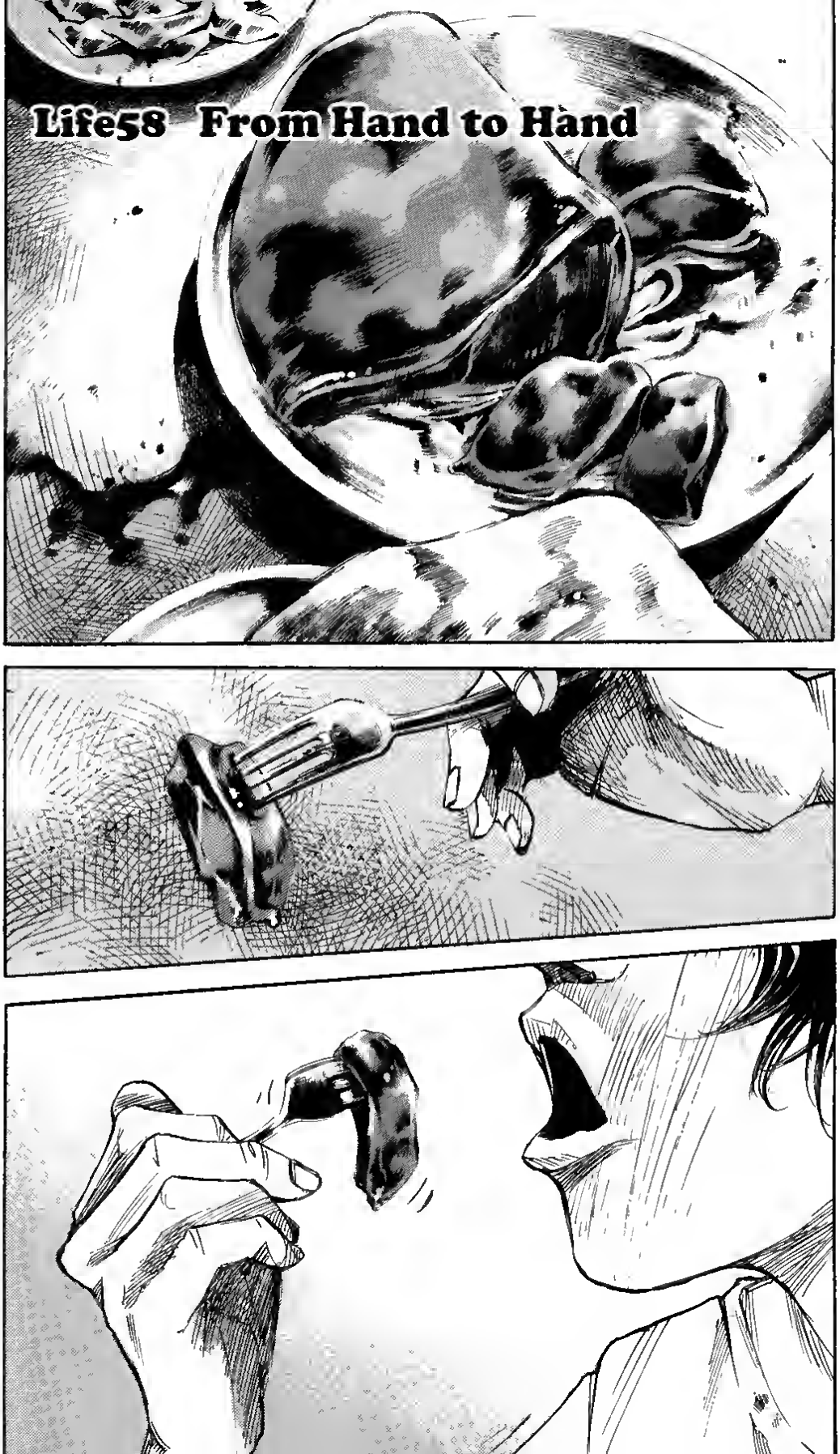
IBLE.
THAT COLLAGE OF TRAGEDIES THAT KUBO'S SPIRITUAL POWERS CREATED...

THAT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE USING POWERS TO GIVE YOURSELF AN ADVANTAGE, OLD MAN.
SO WHY IS THIS MAN TAKING OUT HIS ANGER ON US?
AND TO THE VERY END,
KUBO DIDN'T TELL TAKAGI HIS LIFE SPAN.
PURURU
PURURU
I TOLD YOU,
SO HE DOESN'T LIKE US, I GUESS.

THIS IS KASUGA.
PRIME MINISTER.
THERE'S BEEN A SUDDEN CHANGE IN HAJIME-SAN'S CONDITION.


KUBO'S ALL-OUT ATTACK...
IT'S BEGUN.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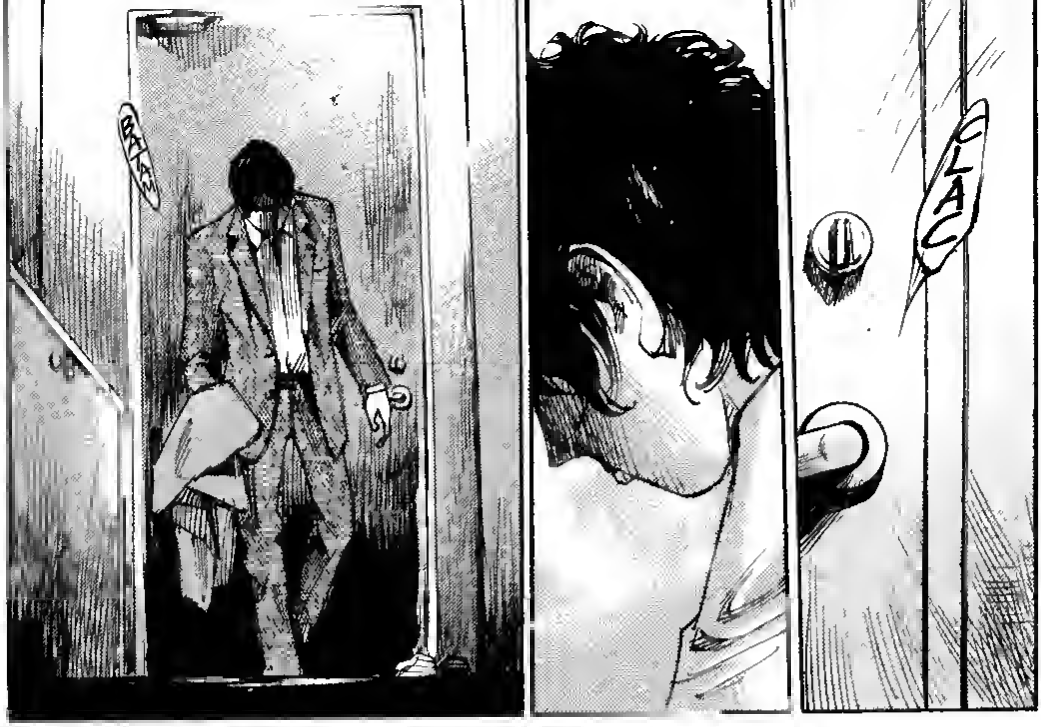

BATAM
CLAC

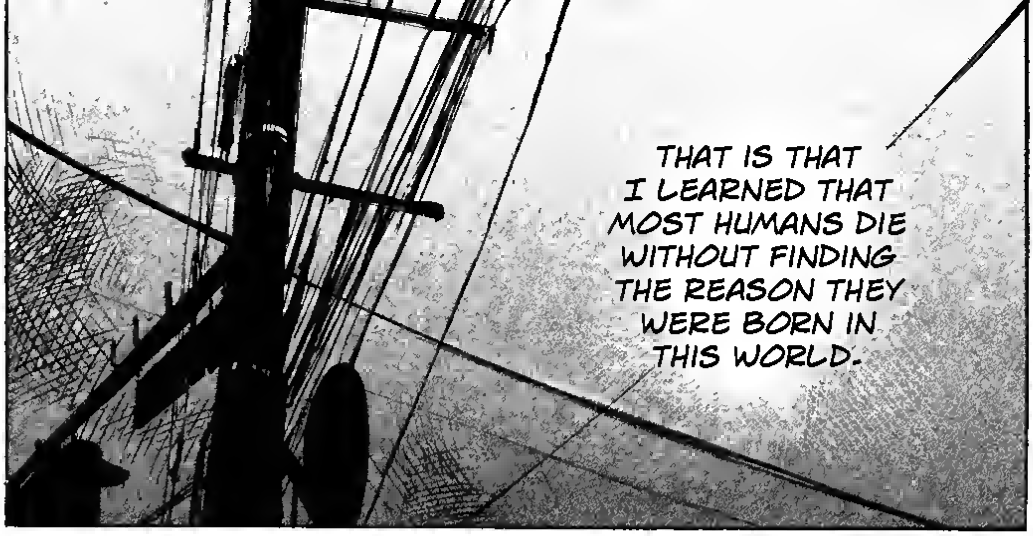
WEL-
COME
BACK,
DAIKI-
SAN.

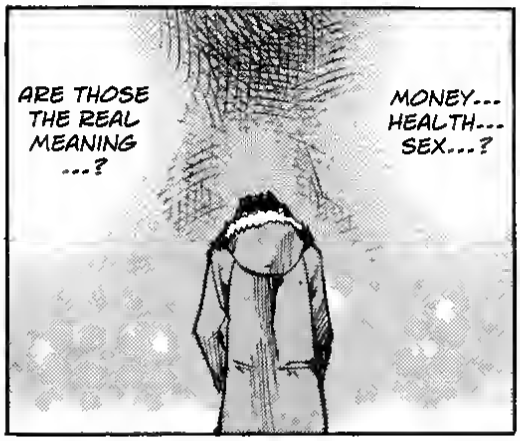
WHAT'S GOING ON?
WHAT'S WITH ALL THE MEAT DISHES...?
I WANT TO GET THIS OVER WITH ALREADY.
I NEED STRENGTH FOR THE DECIDING BATTLE THAT'S ABOUT TO START.
PIERCE!
I DON'T KNOW WHO IS GOING TO SURVIVE, THOUGH.
SO YOU'D DO WELL TO GET PREPARED, TOO, DAIKI-SAN.

OKAY,
I'LL EAT SOME.

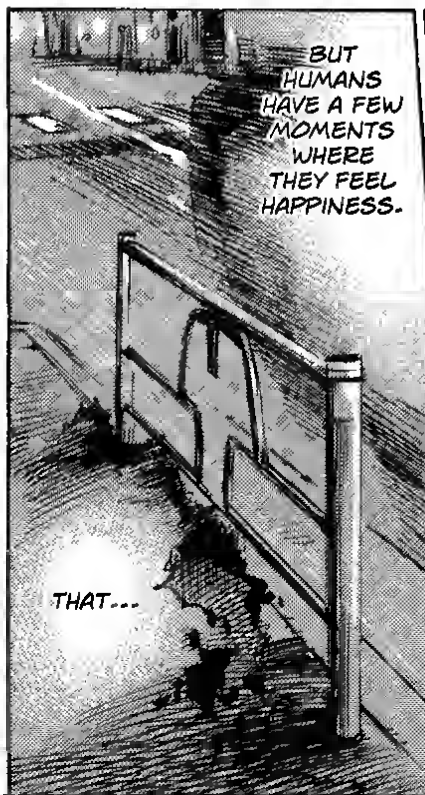
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE I'VE BEEN THIS CORPO- REALLY SATISFIED.
THAT SURE WAS GOOD ...

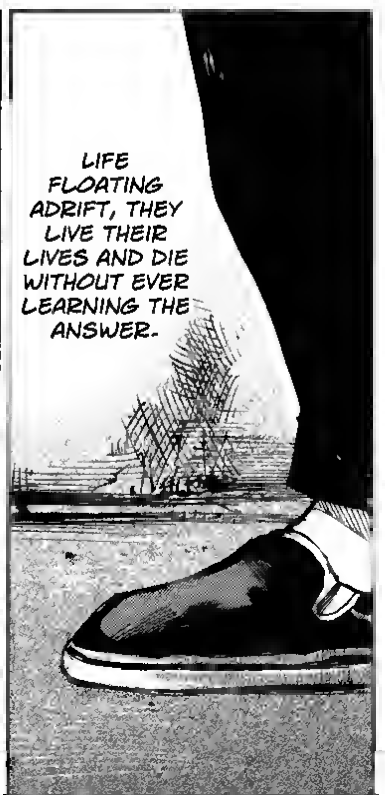
THERE'S ONE THING I'M THANKFUL FOR HAVING THESE PSYCHIC POWERS.

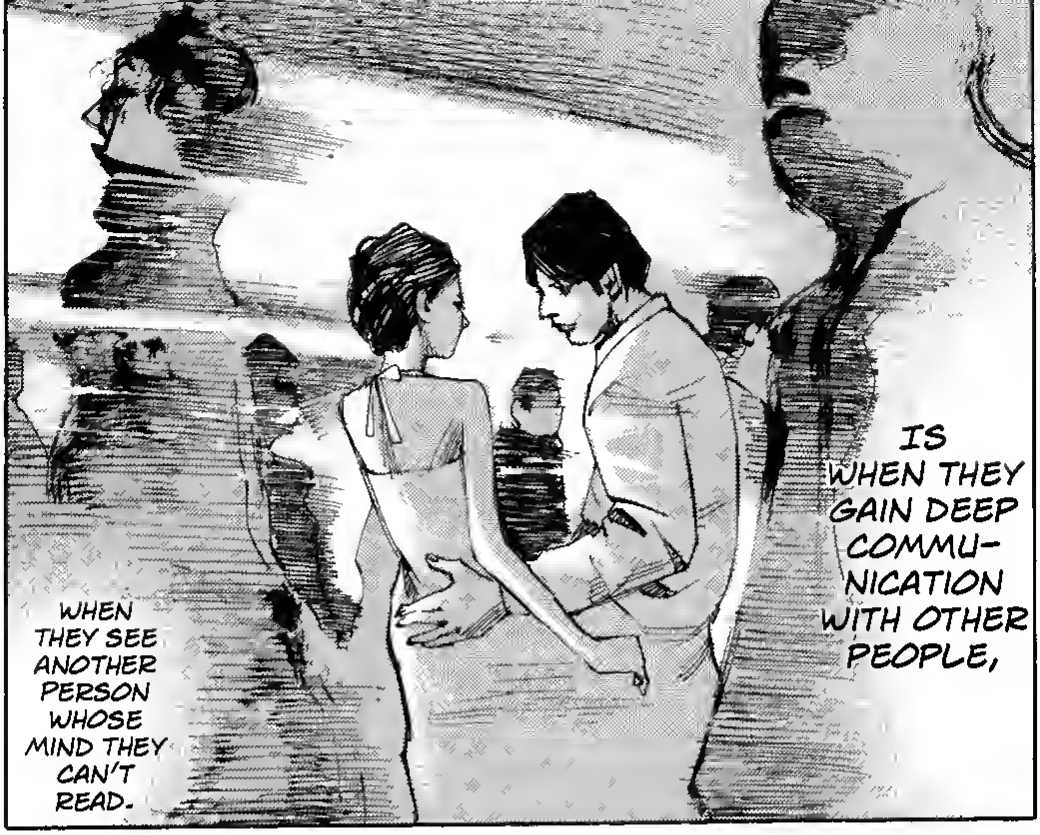

THAT IS THAT I LEARNED THAT MOST HUMANS DIE WITHOUT FINDING THE REASON THEY WERE BORN IN THIS WORLD.


ARE THOSE THE REAL MEANING ...?
MONEY... HEALTH... SEX...?

THEY JUST DIE IN PAIN,
NEVER LEARNING THEIR REASON FOR HAVING LIVED.

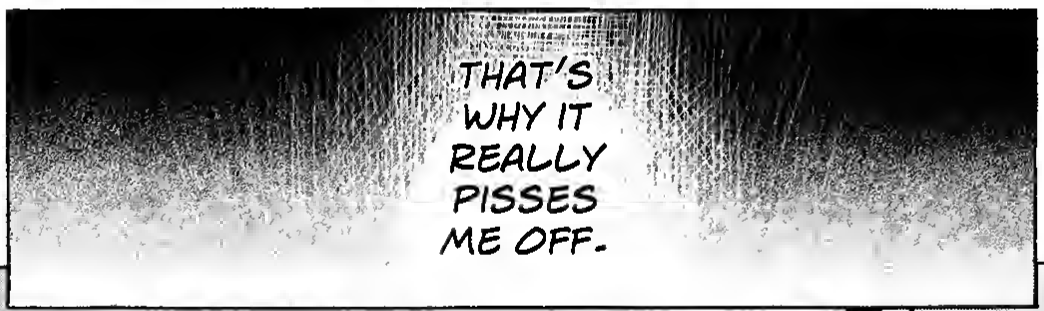

BUT HUMANS HAVE A FEW MOMENTS WHERE THEY FEEL HAPPINESS.
THAT...


LIFE FLOATING ADRIFT, THEY LIVE THEIR LIVES AND DIE WITHOUT EVER LEARNING THE ANSWER.


WHEN THEY SEE ANOTHER PERSON WHOSE MIND THEY CAN'T READ.
IS WHEN THEY GAIN DEEP COMMU-NICATION WITH OTHER PEOPLE,

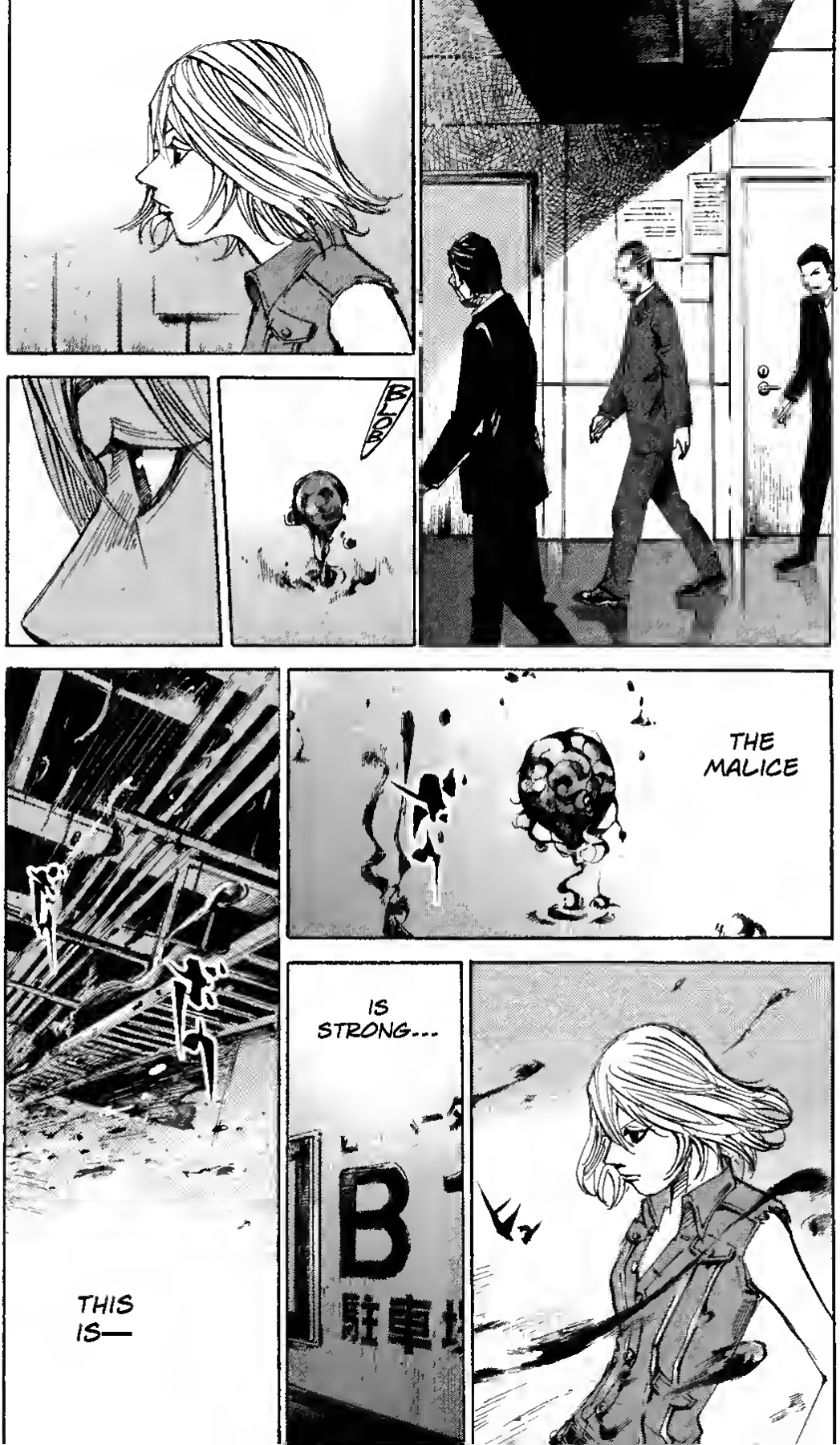
BUT THERE ARE A SCANT FEW PEOPLE THAT CAN FEEL THAT FOR A LONG TIME...
MOST ARE HURT AND BETRAYED, LIKE THEIR LIVES ARE CURSED.
FEELING THANKFUL FOR BEING ALIVE.
CONNECTIONS... FEELING LIKE YOU'VE BECOME ONE.

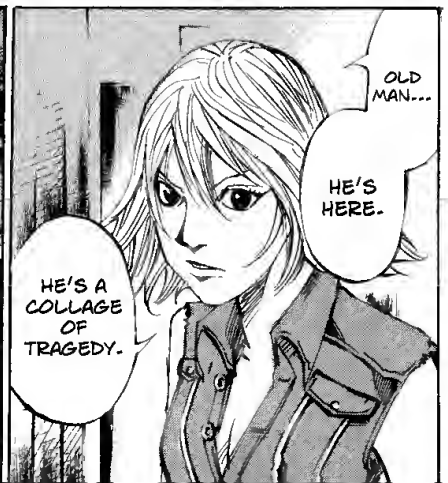
EVEN BEING ABLE TO READ OTHER'S HEARTS AND MINDS, IT'S ONLY MADE THINGS EVEN MORE BAFFLING.
EVEN I DON'T KNOW... WHY I WAS BORN.


THAT'S WHY IT REALLY PISSES ME OFF.

TO THEIR OWN GAIN IN LIFE...
THAT THERE'S A PERSON WHO WOULD USE SPIRITUAL POWERS

IT'S A CONSIDERABLY GRAVE CONDITION.
UNFORTUNATELY,
IT WOULD BE BEST FOR YOU TO PREPARE FOR THE WORST.
WE WILL DO EVERYTHING WE CAN.
DOCTOR.
I'M COUNTING ON YOU.

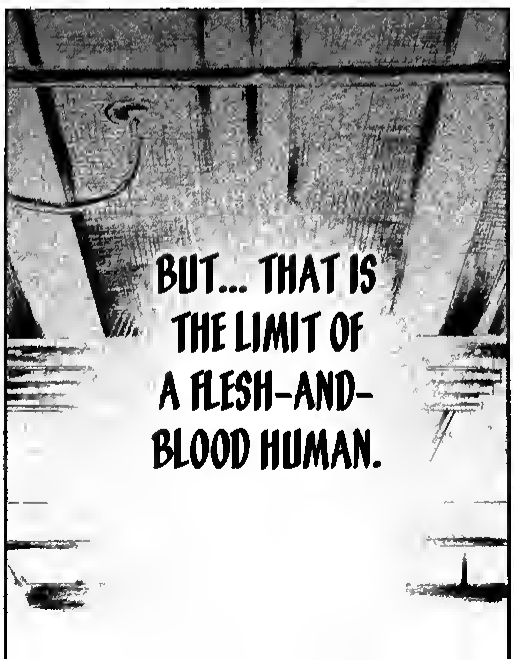

BLOB
THE MALICE
IS STRONG...
B
駐車
THIS IS—

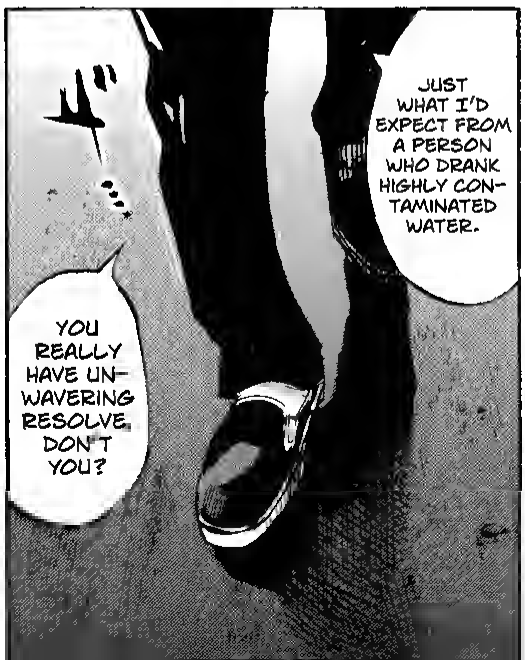

OLD MAN...
HE'S HERE.
HE'S A COLLAGE OF TRAGEDY.

YOU'RE
KUBO, RIGHT?
SUS-PICIOUS CHAR-ACTER IN THE VICINI-TY.
IT'S OKAY.
PRIME MINISTER, LET'S GO.
I CAME HERE... TO GIVE YOU A WORD OF ENCOURAGE-MENT.
PRIME MIN-ISTER,
COMING OUT HERE SO BRAZENLY...
WHAT'S HE DOING

HOW ABOUT IT,
WOULD YOU LIKE A HAND-SHAKE...?
BUT GETTING INVOLVED WITH HIM'S A BAD IDEA.
OLD MAN, I'LL TAKE CARE OF KUBO.
I CAN'T JUST PASS BY A SUPPORTIVE CITIZEN.
IT WOULD BE AN HONOR, PRIME MINISTER.
OF COURSE.
IF KUBO IS THE ONE THAT PUT HAJIME AND JYUN-SAN ON SICKBEDS,
RIYON.
LEAVE KUBO TO ME!

I HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO PEEK INSIDE THIS MAN'S HEART.


BUT... THAT IS THE LIMIT OF A FLESH-AND-BLOOD HUMAN.


JUST WHAT I'D EXPECT FROM A PERSON WHO DRANK HIGHLY CONTAMINATED WATER.
YOU REALLY HAVE UNWAVERING RESOLVE, DON'T YOU?

AFTER THIS, THAT REMAINING LIFE OF YOURS IS GOING TO BE A REAL HELL.
PRIME MINISTER, I WILL NOT LET YOU BE A HERO.
THIS AIN'T A JOKE.
THERE'S NO WAY I'LL LET THE OLD MAN LOSE TO YOU!!
WE'RE NOT GONNA LET IT GO YER WAY.

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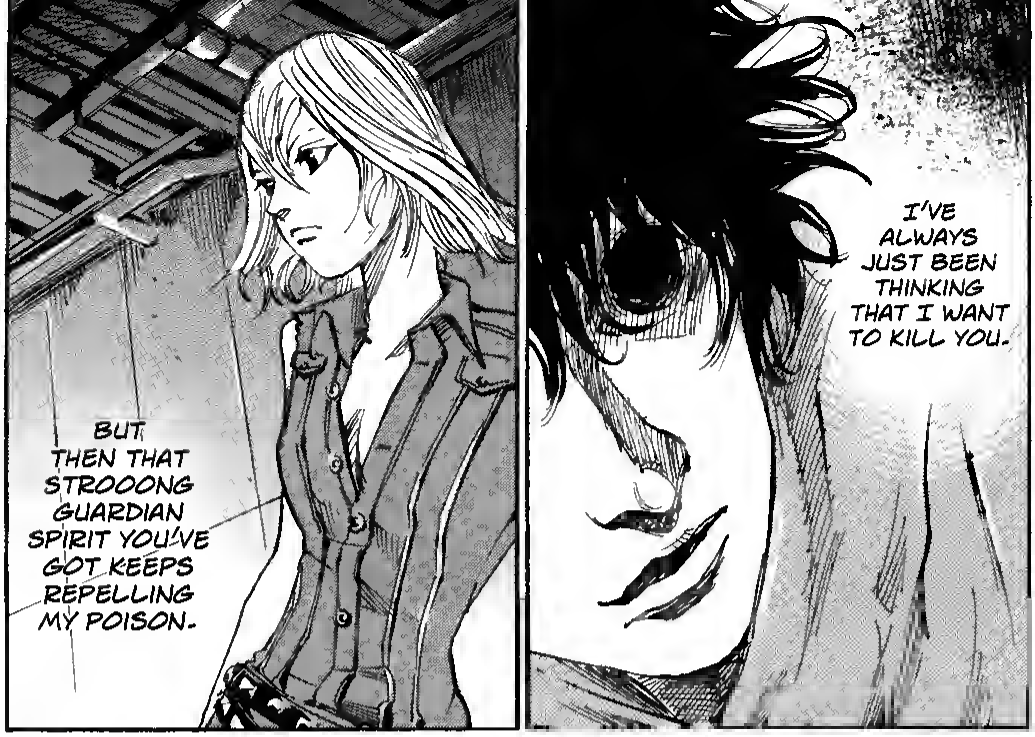
I'M SORRY TO DISAPPOINT YOU, PRIME MINISTER...
BUT A PSYCHIC OF YOUR LEVEL CANNOT READ MY MIND.
I'M BLOCKING IT DEEP, DEEEEP INSIDE.
ARE YOU AFRAID?

I'M TWISTED?
AFRAID OF SOMEONE LEARNING HOW TWISTED YOU'VE BECOME?
IS SOMETHING A TWISTED PERSON DOES.
I KNOW YOU'RE HARBORING AN INTENT TO KILL.
BUT TO HAVE IT FOR NOT THE ONE YOU WANT, BUT THOSE AROUND HIM
HAHA HA!
WHAT AN INTERESTING THING TO SAY, PRIME MINISTER!


I'VE ALWAYS JUST BEEN THINKING THAT I WANT TO KILL YOU.
BUT THEN THAT STROOONG GUARDIAN SPIRIT YOU'VE GOT KEEPS REPELLING MY POISON.

OF COURSE STABS THOSE AROUND THE PERSON.
AND EVIL THAT'S BEEN REPELLED

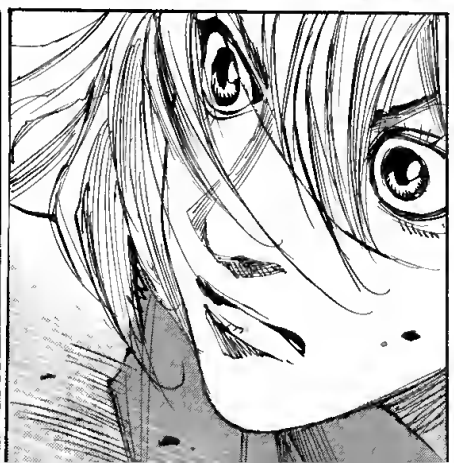
OF COURSE.
ARE YOU SAYING IT'S RIYON'S FAULT THAT MY SON AND IZUMI-SAN COLLAPSED?

KUBO... YOU'RE JUST QUIBBLING.
SHOW ME YOUR TRUE INTENTION!
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
I DON'T...
WANT TO.
IT'S COMIN'!
OLD MAN,

KUH!

TWITCH
THIS GUY'S NO JOKE!

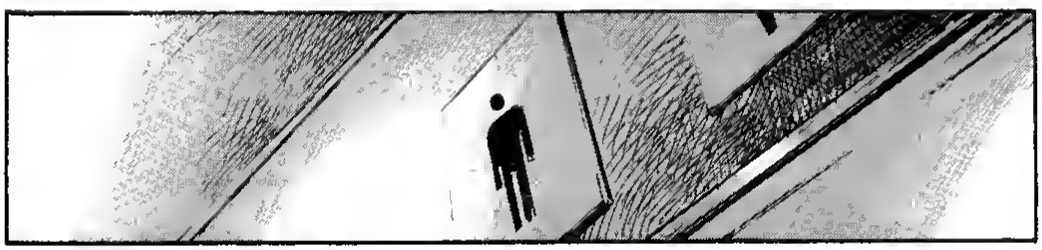
OLD MAN, LET GO OF HIS HAND!
HE'S TOO STRONG!

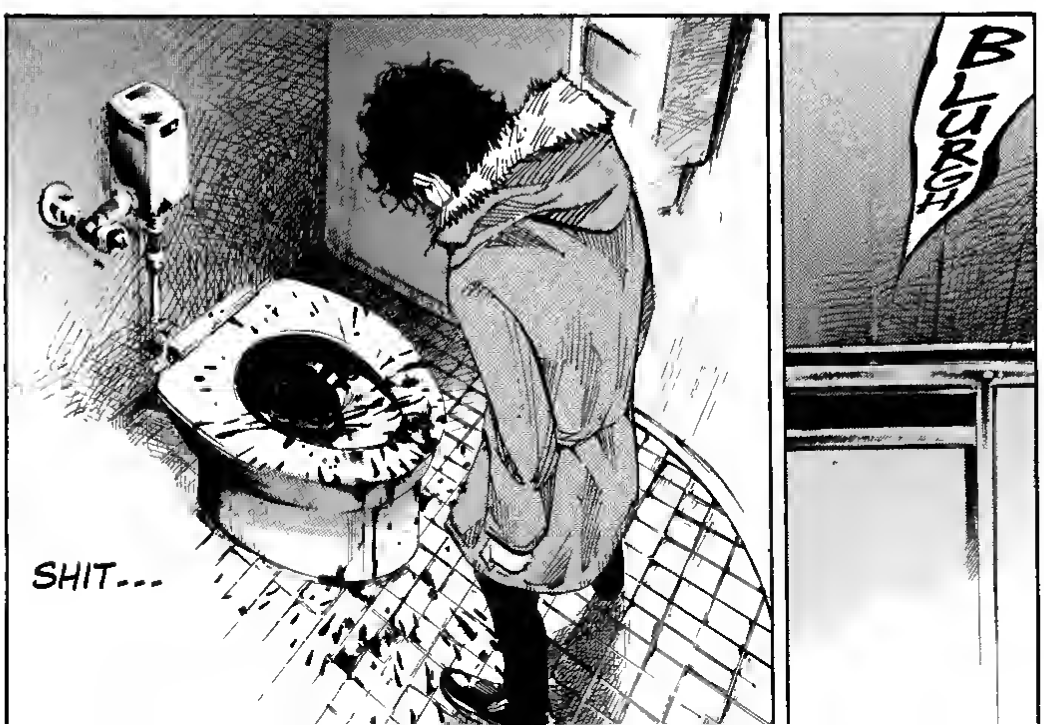


NOT YET, RIYON!
TRY TO HOLD OUT!
I'M NOT
DONE EITHER.

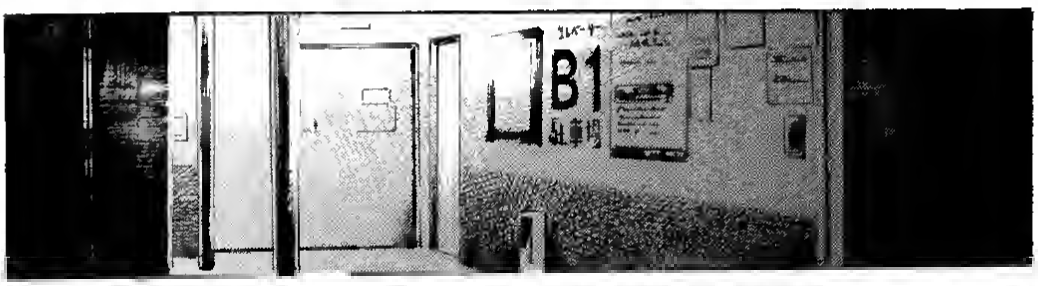
HAS KUBO GOT!?
JUST HOW MUCH DARKNESS...

A
PERSON!?




BLURGH
SHIT---

I'M
HUNGRY...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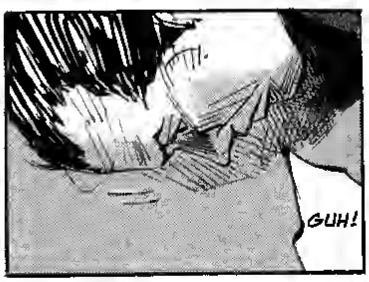
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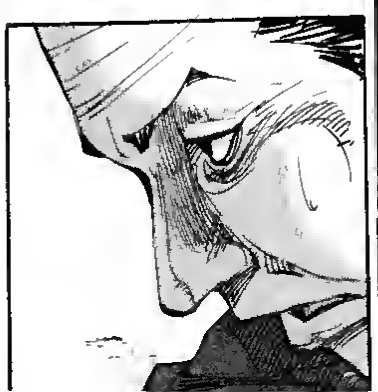

HEY!
HEY, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
NAW,
IT'S TOO LATE.
BE-CAUSE I'M SUCH AN IDIOT
EVERY-BODY'S DEAD.

SORRY, OLD MAN.
I COULDN'T PROTECT EVERYONE.
THEY WERE SLAUGHTERED LIKE SHEEP.

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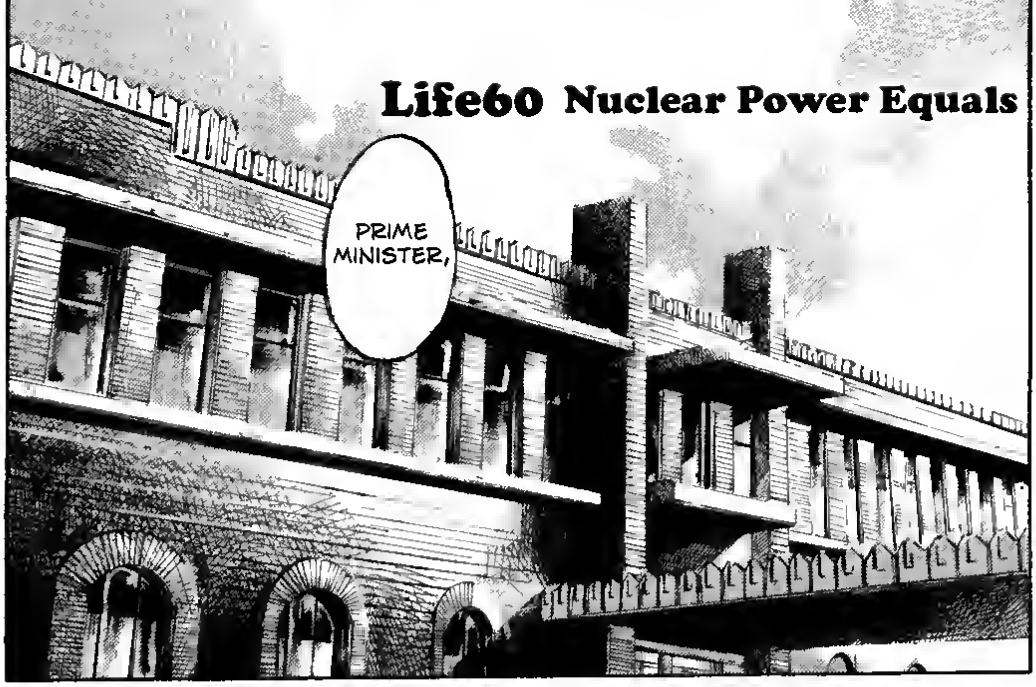
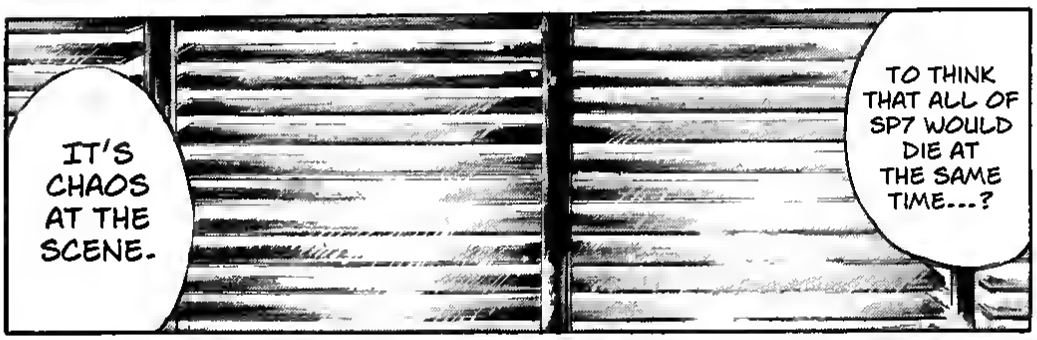
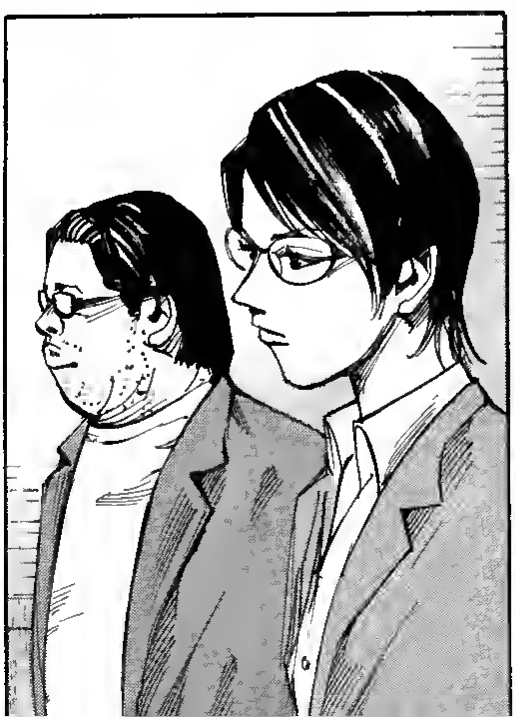




TO-NIGHT,
I'M GOING TO GATHER THE CORE GOVERNMENT AND EXPLAIN EVERYTHING.

BUT SUZUMOTO-SAN IS IN HOKKAIDO.



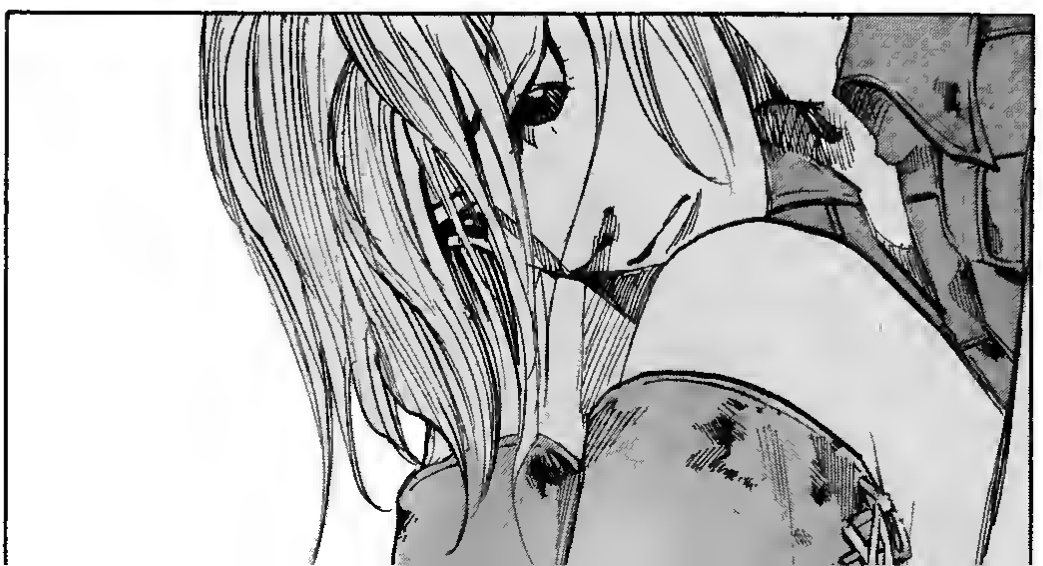
FOR SOUHACHI-SAN, I'LL TELL HIM.

PURURU RURURU RURURU
CLA
ALL RIGHT THEN, SEE YOU AGAIN TONIGHT.
OOH, KASUGA!?
I WAS JUST THINKIN' A CALLIN' YOU TODAY.
THE ARRANGE-MENTS IN THE S DISTRICT ARE FINALLY DONE.

NOW WE CAN MAKE A NUCLEAR GRAVEYARD HERE.

IT'S LIKE WE'VE TAKEN TEN STEPS TOWARDS DENUCLEARI-ZATION!
WHADDA YA THINK!?

THERE'S SOMETHING IMPORTANT I NEED TO TALK ABOUT.
BUT COULD YOU COME BACK TO TOKYO TONIGHT FOR ME?
RIGHT.
THOUGH WE STILL NEED TO MAKE SURE WE WIN THE PREFECTURAL GOVERNOR RACE.
BY THE WAY, AND SORRY FOR IT BEING SO SUDDEN,
GOT IT. I'LL BE BACK THERE SOON.



OLD MAN,
IT LOOKS LIKE THINGS ARE GOING WELL OVER IN HOKKAIDO, HUH?
HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO SIT THERE DEPRESSED?
WE CAN MOURN OVER SACRIFICES ONCE EVERYTHING IS OVER.
YES.
SOUHACHI-SAN'S BEEN WORKING VERY HARD.
THERE WILL BE SOME HARDSHIPS FOR THE PEOPLE OF HOKKAIDOU, BUT FOR NOW, THE RADIATION THAT'S ALREADY BEEN RELEASED CAN'T BE SEEN BY ANYONE, CAN'T BE DEFENDED AGAINST, AND CAN'T BE STOPPED.
SO OUR ONLY CHOICE IS TO QUARANTINE IT SOMEWHERE AS THE WORST KIND OF GARBAGE.

BUT KUBO'S KINDA LIKE NUCLEAR POWER, EH?
I KNOW IT SOUNDS KINDA WEIRD TO SAY THIS,
HEY, OLD MAN.
HIS EVIL
CAN'T BE SEEN BY ANYONE, CAN'T BE DEFENDED AGAINST, AND CAN'T BE STOPPED.

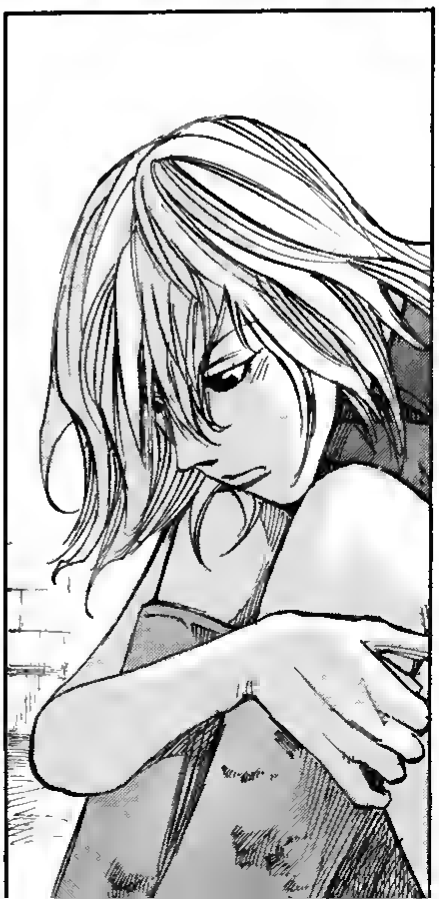
HE ONCE USED THOSE POWERS TO HELP THOSE AROUND HIM, AND PEOPLE EVEN THANKED HIM FOR IT.
BUT WITH AN ACCIDENT AND THAT POWER RUNNING WILD,
HIS EVIL IS JUST LIKE RADIATION... WHEN PEOPLE ARE EXPOSED TO IT, THEY DIE.
I SEE.
INDEED, YOU HAVE A POINT.
HE'S BECOME A DEVIL...
OLD MAN,
WHAT IF WHAT WE'RE DOING IS ACTUALLY THE SAME AS NUCLEAR POWER?

TALKING WITH GUARDIAN SPIRITS AND LEARNING YOUR LIFE SPAN,
MAYBE IT REALLY WAS A BAD IDEA TO USE THOSE THINGS?
NORMAL PEOPLE DON'T HAVE THAT...
IF YOU USE THAT SORTA POWER, YOU GET PUNISHED.
AND THAT'S WHAT FEELS LIKE KUBO TO ME.

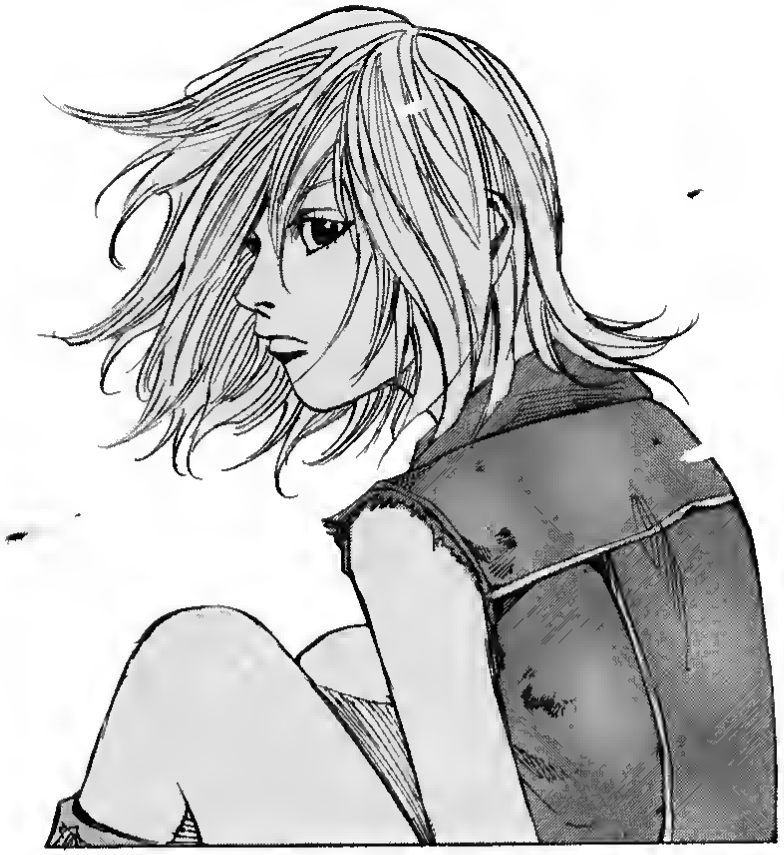
OLD MAN, I KNOW YOU'RE HIDING IT,
BUT THOSE BLACK BALLS OF HIS THAT I COULDN'T STOP GOT INTO YOUR RIGHT HAND.
YA GOT ME, HUH?
LISTEN,
AS PERSON THAT WAS THE PRIME MINISTER ON 3/11, I HAVE NO TIME TO STOP TO THINK ABOUT THAT.

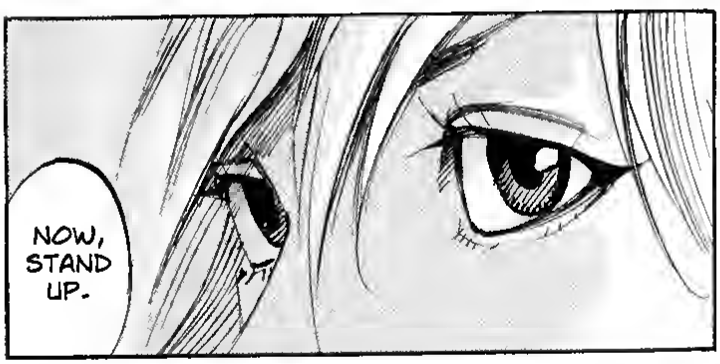
THE ONLY THING FOR US TO DO IS TO PUT A STOP TO BOTH KUBO AND NUCLEAR POWER AND BRING THEM TO THE GRAVEYARD.

I BELIEVE THAT IS MY WAY OF TAKING RESPONSIBILITY AS PRIME MINISTER.



SO, RIYON,
I'M TAKING YOU WITH ME AS WELL.




NOW, STAND UP.

AS THE GUARDIAN SPIRIT OF THE PRIME MINISTER, IT SHOULD BE SOMETHING YOU HAVE TO DO.

THE DAY IS BEGINNING AND THE NATION IS MOVING.

KUBO?

DID YOU, UH,
KILL THE SP...?

OH? HE'S STILL GOT THAT SMALL SENSE OF JUSTICE LEFT, HUH...?

YES.
AT LEAST SEVEN OF THEM.

WERE YOU SURE ABOUT THAT?
YOU GOT PEOPLE WHO'D COMMITTED NO CRIME INVOLVED...

THAT'S THE YOUNG MASTER OF THE RYOU FAMILY. EVEN AFTER ALL THOSE BLACK BALLS...
POSHI.
I'M
HANGING UP NOW.
SQUISH

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WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO?
BAM
THE FUKUSHIMA DAIICHI NUCLEAR POWER PLANT.
AS CLOSE AS CIVILIANS ARE ABLE TO GO.

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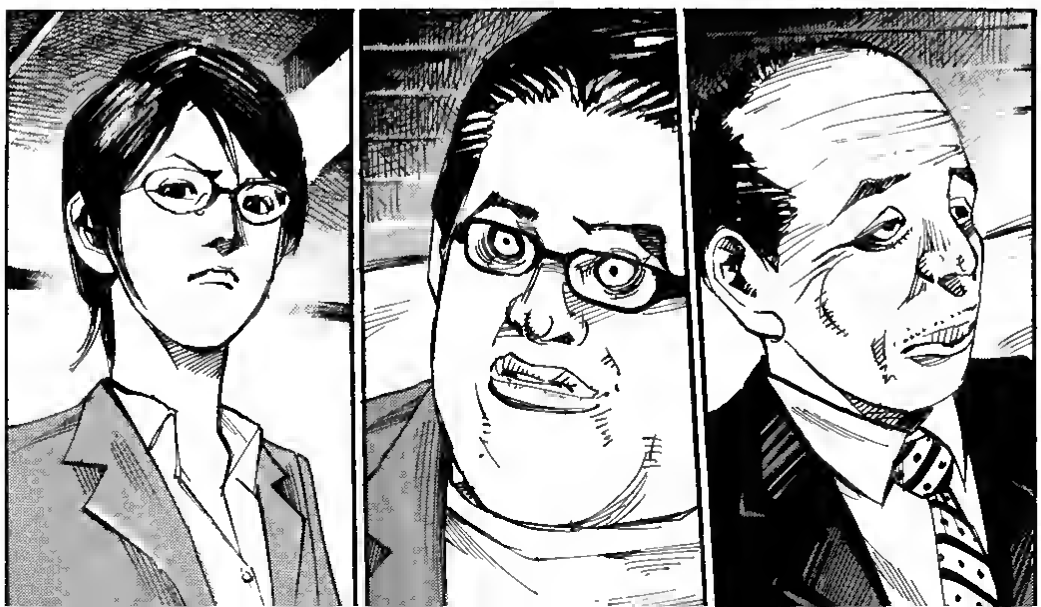
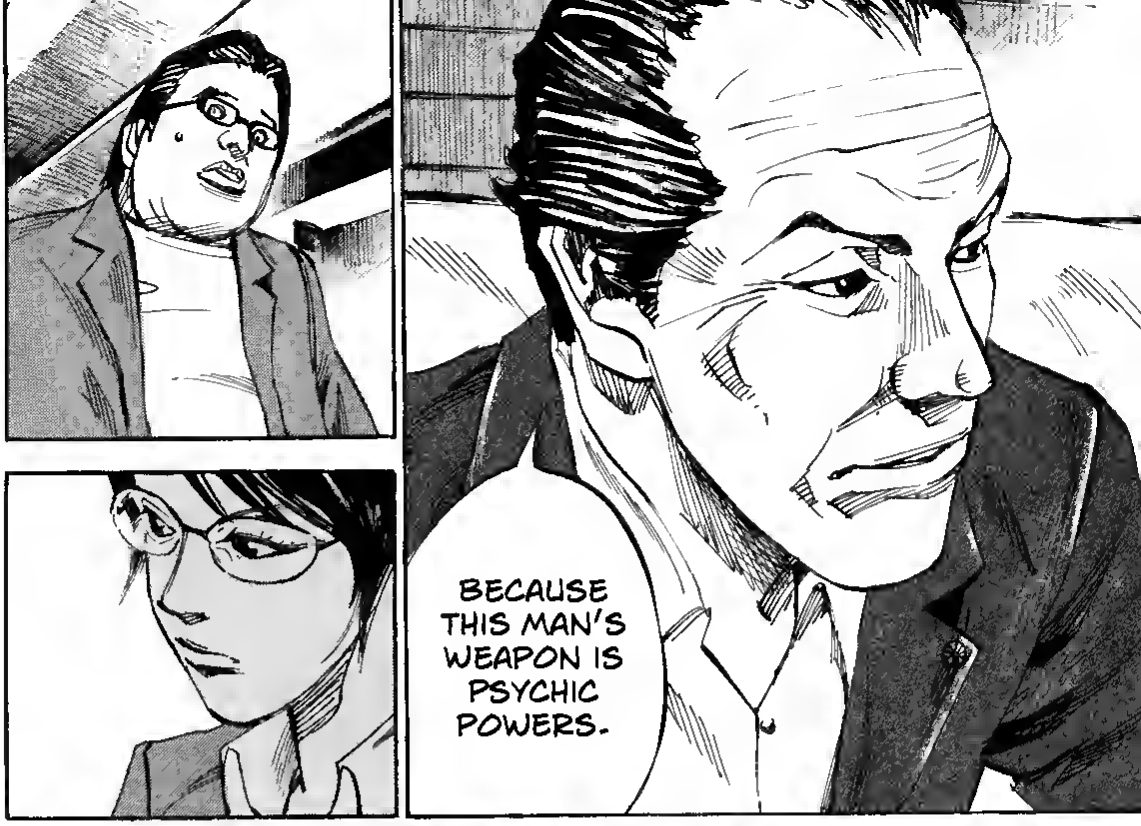
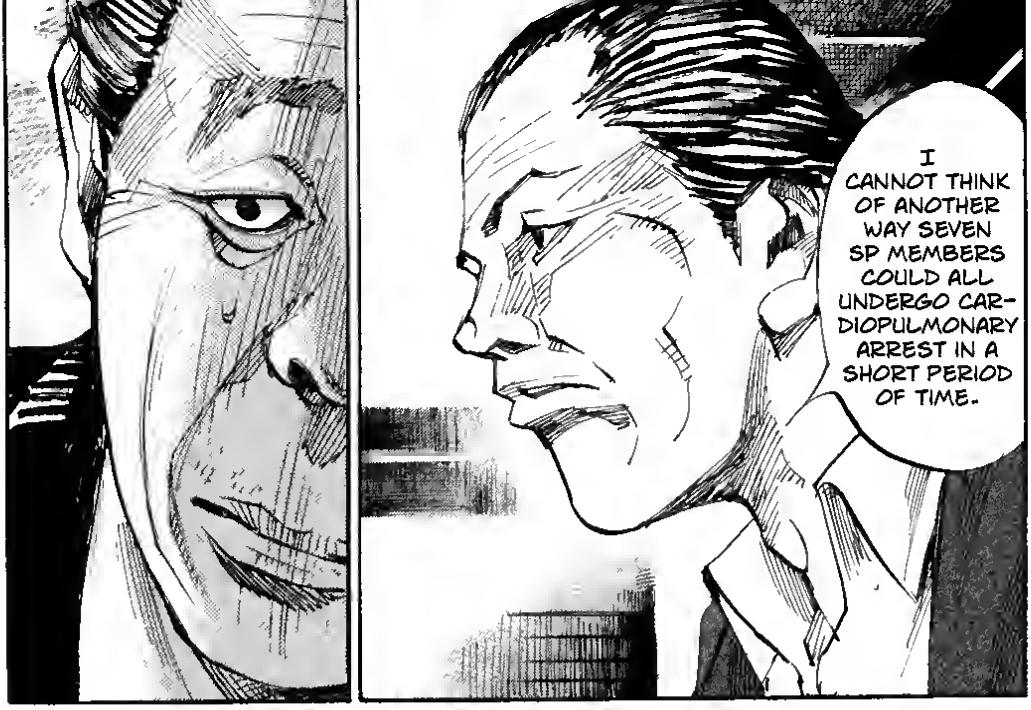
MY LIFE IS BEING TARGETED BY A CERTAIN PERSON
ALSO, JYUN-SAN AND MY SON COLLAPSING WAS THE WORK OF THAT MAN.



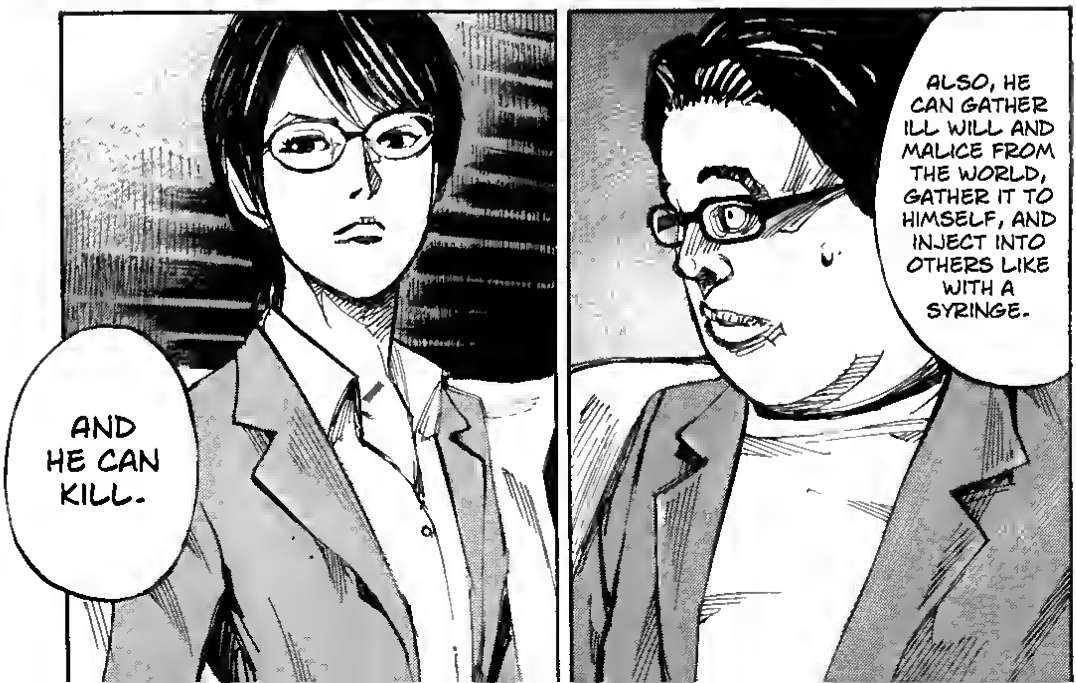
IF A MAN LIKE THAT IS STILL AT LARGE, WE'VE GOT TO SECURE HIM IMMEDIATELY, RIGHT!?
KASUGA, ARE YOU BEING SERIOUS?
HOW ARE THEY DOING IT?
POISON?
YES.
HE CANNOT BE JUDGED BY ANY GOVERNING BODY IN THIS WORLD.
HUH?
EVEN IF WE LOCK HIM UP, IT WOULDN'T MEAN ANYTHING.


BECAUSE THIS MAN'S WEAPON IS PSYCHIC POWERS.

HAH!
ARE YOU SERIOUSLY ALL RIGHT, KASUGA?
ARE YOU SAYIN' THAT EVERYBODY COLLAPSED BECAUSE THAT GUY CURSED THEM?
YES.

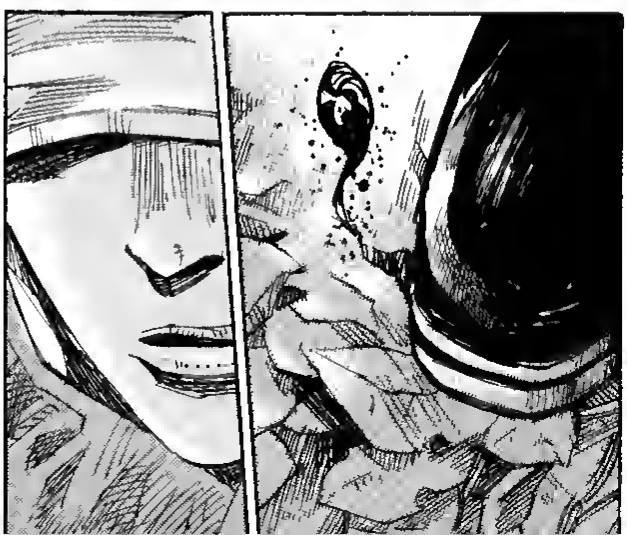

I CANNOT THINK OF ANOTHER WAY SEVEN SP MEMBERS COULD ALL UNDERGO CARDIOPULMONARY ARREST IN A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME.

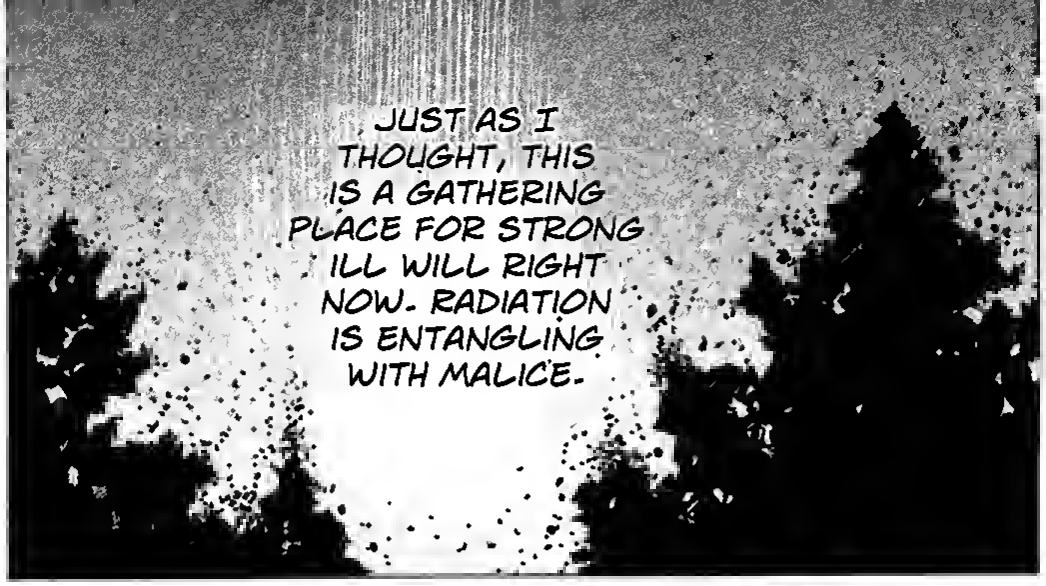
HIS NAME IS KUBO KOUJI.
HE'S TWENTY YEARS OLD.
HE USES SPIRITUAL VISION TO READ PEOPLE'S MINDS.


ALSO, HE CAN GATHER ILL WILL AND MALICE FROM THE WORLD, GATHER IT TO HIMSELF, AND INJECT INTO OTHERS LIKE WITH A SYRINGE.
AND HE CAN KILL.

HE IS A MONSTER.

RUSTLE
I REALIZED.




JUST AS I THOUGHT, THIS IS A GATHERING PLACE FOR STRONG ILL WILL RIGHT NOW. RADIATION IS ENTANGLING WITH MALICE.

FROM HERE, I COULD SEND AN INEXHAUSTIBLE SUPPLY OF EVIL TO THAT PRIME MINISTER AND HIS GUARDIAN SPIRIT.

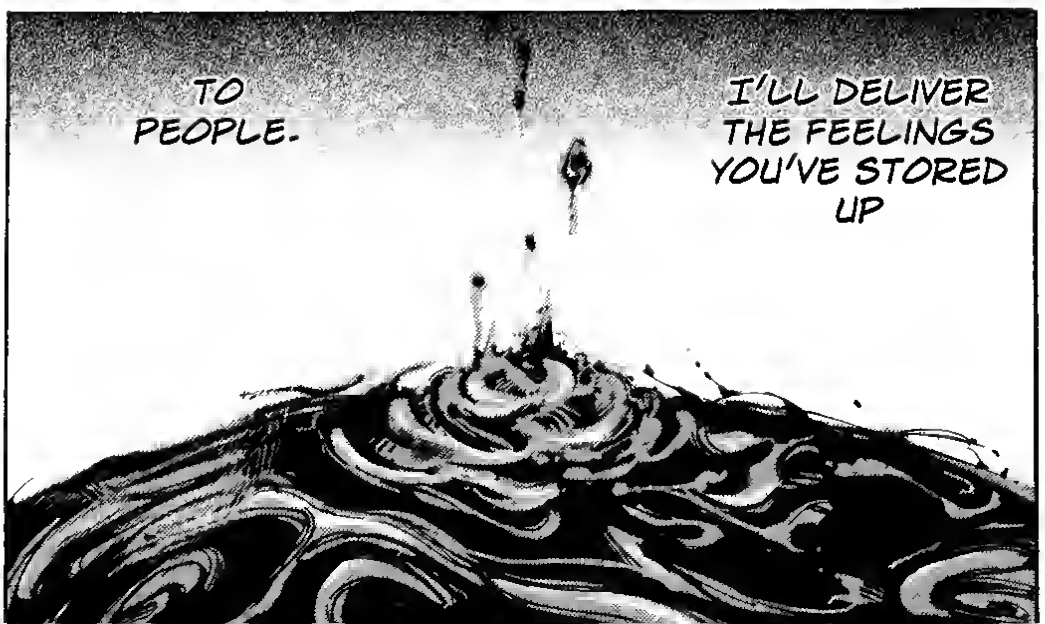
HAHAHA. THEY LOOK JUST LIKE POISONOUS MUSHROOMS.

IT'S SUCH A PITY.

THAT POWER IS GETTING UPSET, TRYING TO RELEASE.

YOU WERE BUILT BY HUMANS, WORKED SO TERRIBLY HARD TO SERVE THEM, AND YET YOU'RE TREATED LIKE A NUISANCE.

JUST HOLD ON A LITTLE LONGER.
I'LL RELEASE YOU SOON...


TO PEOPLE.
I'LL DELIVER THE FEELINGS YOU'VE STORED UP

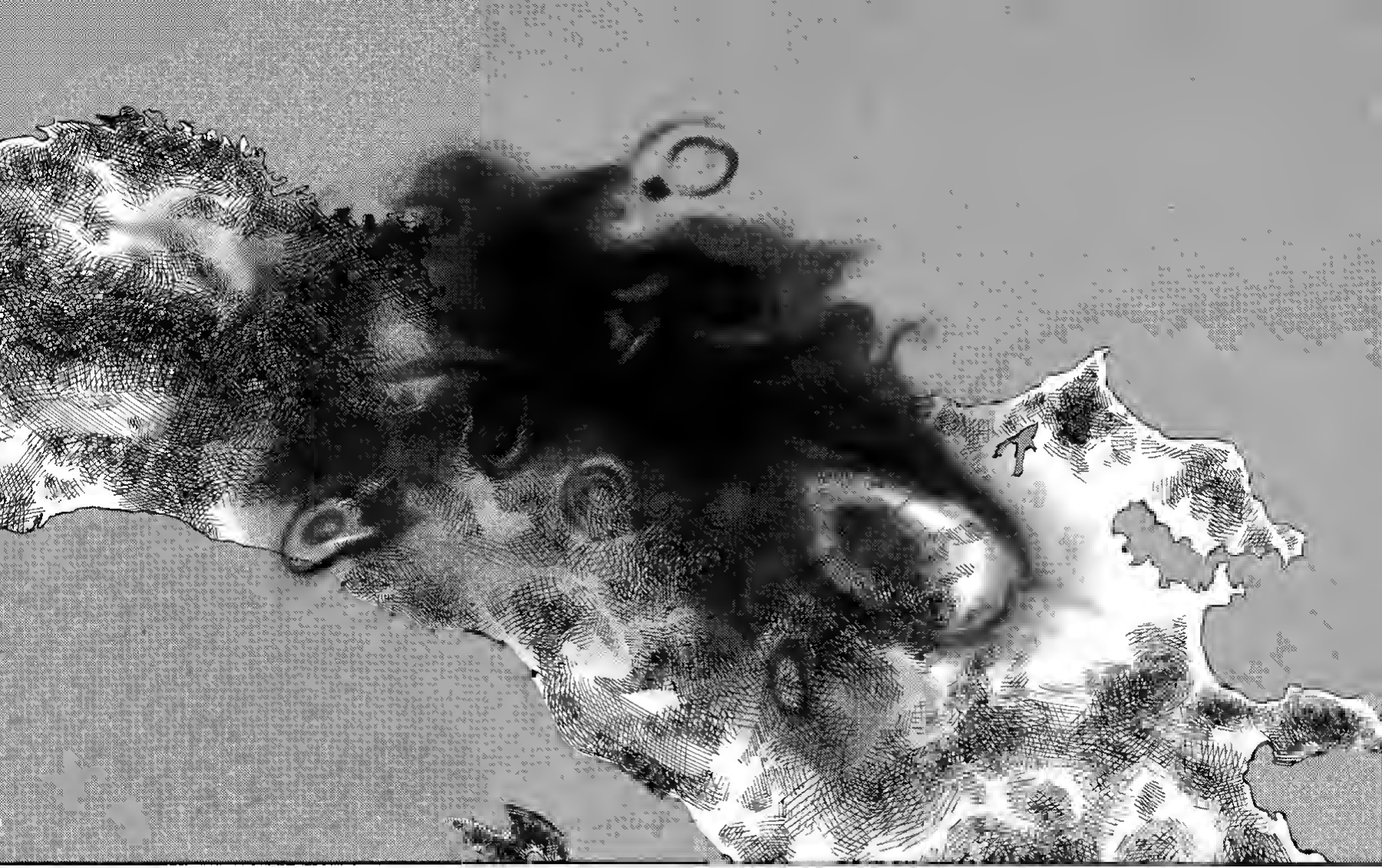
SHU
SHU
SHU
WE'RE BOTH HATED,
BUT WE EXIST IN THIS WORLD.

SO IT'S OKAY TO RAISE OUR PROFILE A BIT.
WE'RE HERE
BECAUSE THE BAD ONES ARE ALL THE HUMANS.

POSHI.

GO FIND THE PRIME MINISTER AND EVERYONE.
OKAY, GET GOING.

SHIVER



WHAT THE---?
SOMEPLACE THERE'S...
KA-SUGA,
DO YOU EXPECT US TO JUST SUDDENLY BELIEVE SOMETHING LIKE THAT?
I DO NOT. BUT I NEED YOU TO BELIEVE IT.
VUUUUU VUUUUU

47 STAFF MEMBERS OF THE DAIICHI NUCLEAR POWER WERE RUSHED TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM.
P... PRIME MINISTER, WE JUST RECEIVED A REPORT FROM FUKUSHIMA.
PRIME MINISTER, SOMETHING IS HAPPENING AT THE DAIICHI PLANT.
45 OF THEM HAD CARDIOPULMONARY ARREST.

Life62 All Out Attack Begins
KEEP ON GOING AND GOING, RIDING ON THE WIND.

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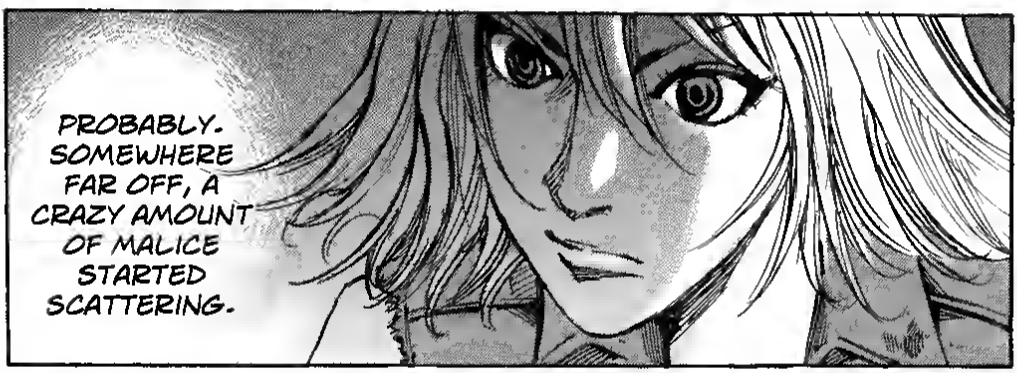
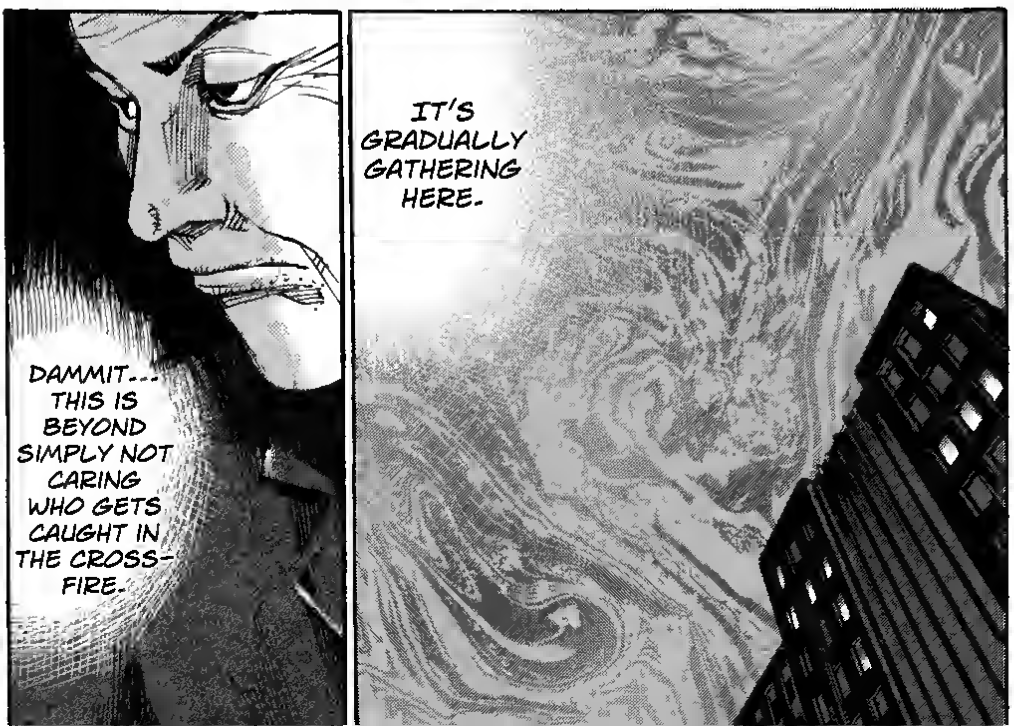
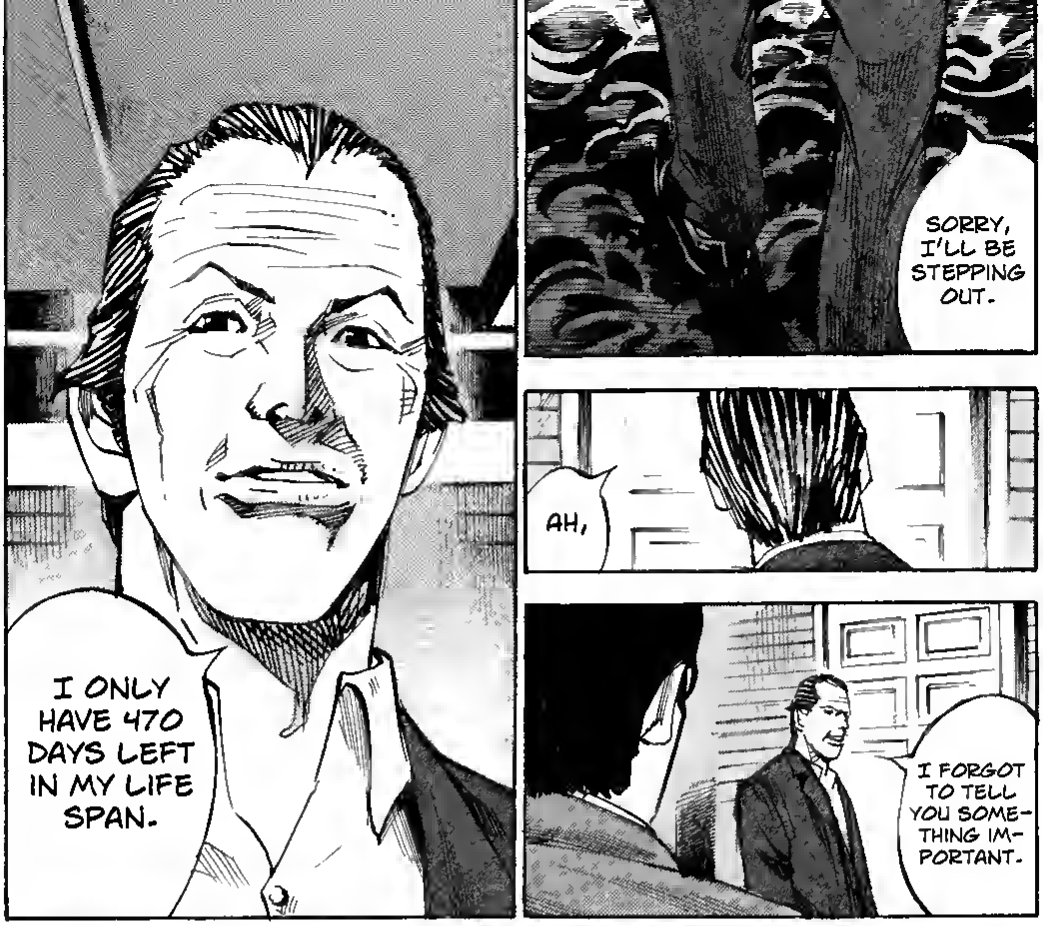
THE PERSONNEL OF THE DAIICHI POWER PLANT...
RIYON, IS THIS KUBO'S WORK, TOO...?


PROBABLY. SOMEWHERE FAR OFF, A CRAZY AMOUNT OF MALICE STARTED SCATTERING.


IT'S GRADUALLY GATHERING HERE.
DAMMIT... THIS IS BEYOND SIMPLY NOT CARING WHO GETS CAUGHT IN THE CROSS-FIRE.

I'M HEADING HOME TO MY OFFICIAL RESI-DENCE.
EVERYONE, PLEASE TAKE UTMOST CAUTION.
BUT WE CANNOT STOP.
RIGHT.
PRIME MIN-ISTER,
YOU'RE NOT SAYING
THAT THIS THING WITH THE POWER PLANT PERSONNEL IS THAT MAN, TOO...?
DON'T LOSE FOCUS, CON-CENTRATE ON YOUR JOBS.
ONLY THINK OF SELFISH INTERESTS. IF YOU OPEN ANY GAPS IN YOUR HEART, YOU'LL BE PIERCED BY EVIL AND BREAK DOWN.
KA-SUGA,
WHEN YOU SAY BE CAREFUL, JUST WHAT EXACTLY DO WE DO?

EVER SINCE I COLLAPSED AND WANDERED THE DEPTHS OF DEATH, I'VE BEEN ABLE TO TALK WITH MY GUARDIAN SPIRIT.
YOU ALL HAVE STRONG GUARDIAN SPIRITS, I'M SURE THEY'LL PROTECT YOU.
IT'S ALL RIGHT.
YES.
G...
GUARDIAN SPIRITS?
CHOOSING YOU WAS ALSO AT HER SUGGESTION.
HAHA HAHA!!
SHE'S A POPULAR EIGHTEEN YEAR OLD GIRL, YOU SEE. I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE HER TO YOU IF I COULD.


I ONLY HAVE 470 DAYS LEFT IN MY LIFE SPAN.
SORRY, I'LL BE STEPPING OUT.
AH,
I FORGOT TO TELL YOU SOMETHING IMPORTANT.

TELL ME THE WHOLE SITUATION IN DETAIL.
YES, SIR!
BAM
PRIME MINISTER!
THE DAIICHI POWER PLANT...!!

DID YOU BELIEVE ALL THAT?
I DUNNO ...
BUT IT'S JUST TOO ODD TO BE MADE UP.
WELL, ANYHOW, A LOT IS GOING ON, BUT WE NEED A NUCLEAR GRAVEYARD IN HOKKAIDOU IF WE WANT TO PROGRESS WITH DENUCLEARI-ZATION.
WHA?
YOU GET THAT, RIGHT?
THE ONLY WAY IS TO BECOME THE GOVERNOR.
FOR THAT TO HAPPEN, I NEED TO BECOME PREFECTURAL GOVERNOR.

I'M HOPING I CAN COUNT ON YOU TWO FOR YOUR COOPERATION.
UNTIL THEN, I'M GOING TO BE MOVING FORWARD WITH ALL I'VE GOT.

KASUGA'S THE ONE BREAKING DOWN NOW.
THIS AIN'T A JOKE.

IF I DON'T GET OFF THIS BOAT, IT COULD GET BAD... EVEN MORE SO IF I BECAME GOVERNOR...

THE HELL IS THIS?

IF SOMETHIN' LIKE THIS FALLS,
WE WON'T STAND A CHANCE.

AND ALL OF THE VIRTUOUS PEOPLE LIVING IN KANTOU.
THE TARGET IS THE PRIME MINISTER

NOW, MALICE OF NUCLEAR POWER, FALL.

GH...
SHIN

GUH!

THUMP

!
GAAH
GAH

SNIF

PRIME MIN-ISTER!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT!?

HEY...
FOR REAL!?

DON'T WORRY.
I JUST TRIPPED... THAT'S ALL.

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